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LOOKING AT THE WORLD

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Everybody talks a great deal about democracy, but very few men and women take the trouble to do anything for it.

In Europe certain persons and organizations are busy day and night doing something TO democracy: kicking it, stabbing it, choking it.

In the United States of America democracy still receives fervent lip-worship, but it suffers many wounds each day, for its enemies are powerful and determined.

Perhaps the main trouble is that most of us are content with democracy as an ideal but are unwilling to pay the price to procure its practical application.

Recent events across the Atlantic have added new pangs to the grief of the friends of genuine democracy and democratic institutions. Notably, there are the change in the personnel of the British government, and the half-surrender of Austria to the dictation of Hitler, Nazi master of Germany.

These two events are closely linked together in cause—and probably in consequences. They are a part of the forward march of the totalitarian philosophy (which is state worship and denial of the importance of the individual); and the retreat of governments which are exponents of democratic principles.

These events, however, are not necessarily grounds for despair among lovers of democracy and popular government.

On its face, the resignation of Anthony Eden as British foreign secretary was a triumph for Hitler and Mussolini. Technically it was indeed a surrender by the British government to pressure from the dictators, to whom Eden was highly distasteful. But to me its first significance was that personal feelings must give way to practical means.

Eden, in visits to Rome and Berlin, had formed a powerful aversion for the two rulers in the fascist realms, an aversion which was fully shared by the dictators—and which reflected only credit on the character and idealism of the British statesman. But these feelings, especially that between Mussolini and Eden, made it impossible to carry on successful negotiations for peaceful adjustment of differences between the governments concerned.

It is quite significant, I think, that Eden has not tried to arouse a popular campaign against the ministry of which he was an important member.

I remember the little jokes and contemptuous comments which went the rounds among my newspaper colleagues at Geneva when Eden came there in 1931 as a member of the British delegation to the League of Nations. Eden was the perfect type of the awkward (from the American viewpoint) and snobbish Englishman which Americans love to ridicule.

The young Englishman was elegantly dressed. But he had no charm and he had no eloquence. He spoke hesitatingly and quietly and seemed to be quite ill at ease. For us, he was just someone to be snickered at.

But this attitude changed completely within the course of a few months. We learned that Eden did his work without flourishes, and that he did it unusually well. We found that he talked sensibly and simply to diplomats from other capitals, and won their respect. After a while, when it was demonstrated that Eden was a genuine man and not a pretence, he really became popular with the sophisticated representatives of the world press.

Mr. Eden—he was called Captain, but he did not like it—grew too rapidly into international importance. He is very intelligent, a true aristocrat of mind and culture, and a true democrat in his support of popular ideals. He will take his place again in an important position when he is more mature, and ought to be of great value in the struggle for international justice.

To say that Neville Chamberlain, British prime minister, is an admirer of fascist ideas is a big mistake. Mr. Chamberlain is a genuine lover of democracy, but he recognizes the necessity of doing business with the dictators, if war is to be avoided.

Some newspapers have made much of Mrs. Chamberlain's friendship with Mussolini. They say very convincingly that she calls him Benito—but so do I. Newspapers dearly love to drag in a woman into any story, even if she is fully appared.

Prime Minister Chamberlain also knows (what a lot of zealous democrats appear to have forgotten) that the records of democratic governments in international dealing are not unspotted with the same kinds of crimes now attributed to fascist states.

I think it probable that Chamberlain and Mussolini will arrive at some agreement concerning the Mediterranean, and Ethiopia and Spain, and that this agreement will contribute to the peace of Europe and the world—despite some un-idealistic features.

As to Hitler and Nazi Germany: I think the chances for adjustment with England are much less bright. Hitler wants more from Britain than Mussolini asks. Mussolini's demands consist chiefly in asking recognition of accomplished facts. Hitler asks concessions in territory and in economic opportunity, concessions which will cost the British in material form, if met.

British reconciliation with Italy is likely to produce as its most important consequence: estrangement between Hitler and the Roman leader.

The conference in the Bavarian Alps between Hitler and Chancellor Schuschnigg of Austria has thrust Austria and Czechoslovakia into the limelight.

The struggle in Austria, between distinctively Austrian patriots and the "Greater Germany" advocates who fly the swastika, is likely to attain civil war.

Newspapermen in Vienna, with whom I talked last summer, regard Schuschnigg very highly.

They say he is very intelligent and very shrewd. He is in a desperate strait and he may have to yield to Hitler's dictation, but it will be after a hard fight for Austrian independence.

Schuschnigg and his Austrians have been driven to the present crisis by bitter poverty. The Viennese are the most pathetic folk I have seen in Europe, a proud, gay, highly civilized people who are simply broken in spirit by poverty and despair. They are the suffering, the sad, heritage of a long, long despotism.

It is different in Prague, the proud and beautiful capital of Czechoslovakia, a state born out of the world war and founded upon political institutions very closely kin to those of the United States.

The Czechs, almost surrounded by the hostile and envious eyes of restless Germans, are calm and resolute in the face of German menaces. And they are prosperous, exploiting to the full the physical and moral resources of their country, which is half industrial and half agricultural.

In a population of 15,000,000, the country includes 3,232,000 Germans, mostly residing on the 500-mile horseshoe-shaped frontier which runs with the German districts of Silesia, Saxony and Bavaria.

Both Hitler and his air chief, Herman Goering, have breathed threats of violence against the Czechs with regard to "protection" of the German minorities.

I have known the Czech president, Dr. Edward Benes, at Geneva. He is not afraid as he stands today on his island of democracy in a sea of absolutism. He is not that kind.

And I have seen, in travels across Bohemia the last two summers, the hardy citizens of that land and particularly their army, clothed in uniforms almost identical with the American soldier's costume in the world war. The frontier areas, too, are highly fortified and suited to stubborn defense.

The Czechs are trusting their allies, France and Russia, whose great air fleets can bomb Berlin, Cologne, Munich and Hamburg within a few hours, but most of all they are trusting themselves. They are staking their lives on democracy.

And in America?

Well, democracy is under a severe strain in this country today and the immediate prospects for its success are far from bright.

The administration at Washington, if I am not deceived, is trying to strengthen the hold of democracy, and loosen the hold of privilege, by legislation. The administration is making little, if any, progress, at this time.

Every bill which is designed to lay the burden of taxation where it belongs; every measure which seeks to guarantee to the working man his economic rights; every effort to restrain the dictatorship of vast corporate interests—each effort is met by a howl of anguish and rage from the spokesmen of privilege.

Already the president is "in a hole," and the newspapers have made us forget the election results of seventeen months ago which declared the people were in favor of his liberal program.

The evidence at hand today indicates that big business is stronger than the president who was

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Sparks and Splinters

Chicago is said to have 1,000 churches, and 100,000 people joined them last year, the largest number ever.

At Morton Evangelist D. Wade Smith and Singer M. E. Perry assist Pastor Estes in a meeting beginning April 27.

There were 261 added to the church at McAllister, Okla., in a meeting in which Evangelist Appleman preached.

When you feel like complaining of high taxes, remember that in Italy income taxes range from eight to twenty per cent on incomes of \$180.00 and over.

Race distinctions are not confined to any one section. An aged negro bishop attending the world religious conference last year in Edinburgh was denied lodging at the hotels.

Brother Chas. Webb who is finishing the work for the masters degree at the Louisville Seminary brightened our corner with a brief visit last week. We hope he comes back to Mississippi to stay.

Rev. P. E. Cullom, who has been for three years chaplain in the Army Reserve Corps, has accepted a call to Clintwood, Va., a county seat town in the mountains of Virginia.

The liquor crowd try to get liquor licensed by the state on the plea that it will bring in large revenues. And when a license law is passed they try to prevent heavy tax on liquor on the plea that a heavy tax raises the price of legal liquor and multiplies the number of bootleggers.

We have just closed our Winter Bible Conference for Christian workers. A glorious week it was. One of the most interesting features was the hour of daily reports from these thirty-four churches. How inspiring it all is. Thousands of tracts were distributed, thousands heard the Word, hundreds of souls were saved and many asked to be enrolled as interested in the Jesus way. Some of these seeking the lost bands were out from their homes for days at a time taking the Word to this town and that one. The Lord is opening doors in every place for them and undertaking marvelously for their entertainment in heathen towns.—Pearl Caldwell, Pingtu, China.

In a sermon by Dr. M. Ashby Jones, a well known modernist, published in a recent issue of the Christian Index, it is said that it is the business of schools to teach students how to think, not what to think. This is one of those half truths that does more mischief than a straight out falsehood. Of course it is the business of teachers to teach people how to think. But it is just as necessary to teach them what to think. That does not mean that the minds of the young are made slaves, but it does mean that they need help in distinguishing the things that differ or "approving the things that are excellent," whichever translation you prefer. Vines must not only be planted and fertilized; they need to be pruned and they need a trellis to run on. This writer was taught to think by his father who fed his mind on what was wholesome and pure. He was also taught to think by an older boy who fed his mind on filth. Don't tell me that people do not need to be taught what to think. People are going to think anyway. What they need most is guidance in thinking what is right and good and true. Paul says, "Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honorable, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things." That is what parents are for, to direct the minds of the young to right things. That is what Sunday schools are for; what preaching is for; yes, what Christian schools are for. The mind that is incited to think without being given proper subjects for thought will become a devil and not a saint.

Retail Merchants Association in Shreveport joins the Ministerial Association in protesting against horse racing in that city. The same thing happened in Dallas.

Brother H. T. McLaurin reports that twenty-three people have pledged \$100.00 each to reduce the debts on our Convention Board's work. And he has just begun to fight.

A missionary for thirty years in Korea says that after fifty-four years of Christian missions in that country there are more Christians there than were in the whole Roman Empire at the end of the first century.

Sometimes communications sent to the Record are delayed in publication because they are written in a hand difficult to read, and they have to wait till we can have them typewritten before the printer will accept them. This may explain.

From Missionary T. F. McCrae, now living in San Bernadino, Calif., we learn that his son, Truman and family are for the present safe in Shanghai after trying experiences during the Japanese attacks through last fall and winter. For safety his wife and two little girls took refuge for several months in Manila, Philippine Islands. For two months now the city of Shanghai has been more quiet and the family is reunited but the future is uncertain. These have been exceedingly trying times for Chinese and foreigners alike. Those who have friends and loved ones in this war area have had occasion to test their Christian faith.

To the members of Fannin Baptist Church: By recent action of the church you have voted to send our denominational paper to all the homes in our membership. By this action you have greatly encouraged your pastor, and it is his sincere desire that you read each copy carefully and prayerfully, because it will bring you inspiration and information concerning the work of Southern Baptists at home and abroad. I have never served a more enthusiastic, God-fearing group of people. I sincerely solicit your prayers and cooperation in this and all other matters. If you will read each copy of the Baptist Record you will want to do more for the cause of Christ in every respect this year than you have ever done before.—Pastor W. H. Wood.

The First Baptist Church of Longview, Texas, observed its debt-free celebration and dedication services on Sunday, March 6, with President Pat M. Neff, president of Baylor University, as principal speaker. The church's commodious building with 117 Sunday school and assembly rooms and an auditorium seating 1,350 was declared free of debt. Within the last five and a half years, 2,918 members have been added to the church, 1,048 of whom came by baptism. The church's gifts have amounted to \$240,945.41, of which \$71,000.00 were given for outside denominational causes. It was a new day for the church, with 1,369 in Sunday school and 540 in the Training Union, both of which were high records.—J. L. W.

To the members of First Baptist Church of Union and also Stratton Baptist Church: We are happy to inform you that, as we begin our fourth year with you as pastor, the church is sending to every family the Baptist Record. I think this is one of the best things that our church has done since it was organized. The pastor and deacons urge that every church member read the denominational paper each week. By reading the Baptist Record you will become a better informed Baptist and should be a more useful Christian. We become more interested in things that we know about. The Record will enable us to learn about the work of our Baptist Zion both at home and abroad. Our vision will be enlarged, our sympathies deepened, and our lives enriched by regularly reading our OWN paper week by week. We would like to have expressions from you as to your favorite feature of the paper. The pastor's nine year old son likes the Children's Page best. It is not in the mind of your pastor that by reading the Record that you are to neglect the reading of your BIBLE, for aside from the Word of God there would be no RECORD. Read both.—Montie A. Davis, Pastor.

The world has many religions but only one gospel.—Geo. Owen.

Rev. W. L. Meadows has returned to Quitman from the Baptist Hospital in Jackson, being relieved by a successful operation.

Rev. N. R. Stone is with Pastor W. H. James in a Bible Conference at Lucien, having good congregations and hopeful of a real revival.

Brother D. W. McLeod of Florence has been quite ill at the Baptist Hospital, requiring blood transfusions, but is improving at the writing.

The Sunday schools at Morton and Springfield where brother C. O. Estes is pastor have been on the list of standard schools for many years, an exceptional record.

Miss Sonja Henie when offered \$2,500.00 to allow her picture to be used in advertising cigarettes said: "I don't smoke and I am ashamed of women who do. It is a disgraceful, filthy degenerate habit. I will not take your \$2,500.00. Good-bye."

Brother Eug. Barrett of Columbus, in the senior class at Mississippi College, is doing good service as supply pastor at Highland Church, Meridian until a pastor is located. He will be available for similar service in the summer, as he expects to go to the Seminary in the fall.

President J. R. Sampey says of the Edinburgh Conference, that it "set for itself the impossible task of squaring the circle." "The kind of union the leaders of the Conference desire is so far in the future that the longest theological telescope cannot bring such a union into its range."

Rev. Jno. Ira Hill was happily welcomed to the State Line with house newly painted inside and otherwise decorated; pantry full. The people are not only kind, they are cooperative. He preached also to Clara, Mt. Zion, Johnson Creek and Salem churches. These are in Wayne and Green Counties.

The less spiritual (in-Christ) unity we have the more we feel the necessity of bolstering ourselves up by an outward something that will impress the world by its material power and awe-inspiring bulk. Inner spiritual bankruptcy flees to the fortress of fleshly impressiveness.—Western Recorder.

Pastor W. C. Hankins has been one year at Indianola. In this time he has welcomed 141 new members at Indianola and eighty-one at Roundaway where he preaches Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon. A total of 106 by baptism and 116 by letter. This year the church gives 25 per cent of its contributions to missions, a good increase over last year. Miss Ruth Adams is church secretary and young people's director. There are three times as many in the B. T. U. as one year ago, and a good increase in Sunday school and the W. M. U. The Baptist Record goes to every home. In June the pastor's brother Rev. J. H. Hankins of Little Rock, will help in a revival meeting.

Dr. Truett tells about a little Presbyterian woman in South Carolina. When she was a little girl she said she was going to China as a missionary. That was the dream of her life. It was in her heart to build a temple to God. She said over and over, "Some day I am going to China and win the thousands to Christ." She finished college and the missionary training school and was ready to go. Her dreams were about to be fulfilled. Then the telegram came that sent her back to the hills of Carolina to take the place of her sister who had died, and be a mother to five little motherless children. After she left to train she rode across the mountains, saying all along, "Good bye, China; good bye, China." When she reached the little home out yonder in the mountains, five little motherless tots came to her. She put her arm around them—all of her dreams gone. Get the sequel. Go down to Charleston and see a white-haired woman in a little rocking chair. She never got to China herself but three of those children went to China with the missionary message. "I had it in my heart to build a house of rest. . . . Solomon, thy shall build my house."—Ex.

News and Truths About Our Home Mission Work

HOME MISSION BOARD

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FEBRUARY RECEIPTS HOME MISSION BOARD

Cooperative Program	\$ 13,407.62
Designated	559.56
Hundred Thousand Club	3,668.31
Specials	475.43
Total.....	\$ 18,110.92

NINE NEW MISSIONARIES INCREASE BOARD'S FORCE TO 340

Nine missionaries were added by the Home Mission Board at the regular monthly meeting March 3, bringing the total working force to approximately 340.

Surplus funds on hand for debt payment total \$73,346.29. Dr. J. B. Lawrence stated, this amount being nearly half as much as was applied on debt retirement in 1937 when the record total of \$149,417 was paid. Notes and bonds are paid only on certain maturity dates, Dr. Lawrence explained, and the present accumulated surplus will be applied within the next few weeks.

Of this amount now available to apply on debts, the Hundred Thousand Club provided \$25,767.16 and the balance of \$47,578.13 came from the Cooperative Program receipts.

Missionary appointments included four new workers among the Mexicans, one Negro, two Indians, and two on the Spanish-American field. Appointments were also offered another Mexican couple, but their acceptance is conditioned on certain details incident to transferring from Mexico to Texas.

Income from the Bottoms Trust Fund, according to a communication from the trustee, has provided \$55,488.47 for use on home mission fields this year. The Board drew up a tentative schedule for the use of this fund, subject to the approval of Mrs. Geo. W. Bottoms, donor of this trust. The preliminary schedule includes work among the Italians, French, Spanish-Americans, Chinese, Indians and Mexicans; the erection of chapels and homes for missionaries; and maintenance of the department of evangelism. Allocations will cover the missionaries' salaries for only one year.

2,000 REACHED EACH MONTH BY ITALIAN WORKER

Rev. Pascal Arpaio, Italian missionary in Oklahoma, preaches regularly at eight mission stations, including churches and preaching places, thus reaching an average of 2,000 people with the gospel each month.

"Two new stations were opened in February," he writes. At these places the people pay for his gasoline, as they do also at other missions.

"Last Tuesday evening," he adds, "we had a large crowd at Adamson, and the work in Richville is doing very well. Since the chapel is too small for the crowds at Richville, we have moved back in the school house for services at the present."

CHEROKEES SET ATTENDANCE RECORD IN NORTH CAROLINA

Cherokee Indians in North Carolina, where Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Fitzgerald are the Board's missionaries, have been attending services in such numbers as to make the best record in three years.

"The old conservative Cherokee moves slowly along new lines," the missionary states, "but our people are beginning to catch step with the cooperative work as is indicated by a better interest in the Sunday schools this winter."

"We mix Cherokee with English in some services, and honor the old preachers who know

only the Saturday and Sunday preaching once a month as the chief religious work."

Encouraged by a quickened interest in Bible study as evidenced by increased attendance at Sunday school, the missionary is already planning a vigorous schedule of vacation Bible schools for the summer.

"I wish we had the gospel of John in Cherokee at cheap price," the missionary concludes. "It would greatly help among the older people with whom Cherokee is still the principal language."

The Miccosukee Indians in the Big Cypress swamp are becoming more interested in our services but it is rather slow work.—Willie King, missionary to the Seminoles.

ABANDONED CHURCH WELCOMES INDIAN PREACHER

I made a trip in February out in Pushmataha County, twenty-five miles east of Antlers, Okla., where there was an Indian church which has been abandoned for two years.

Everything had gone wild. Even the two deacons had quit too. I got there Saturday, Feb. 12, and preached Saturday night, Sunday morning and Sunday night.

One of the deacons, Josiah Thomas, was restored, and said he wanted the preacher to come and help him start the church to work again. There have been about eight members. I talked to several of them and they all want to go back to work for the Lord.

I want to go back and help about the second Sunday in March. I would like for some more preachers to come and help me, for they need someone to come. All who read this pray for us.—Rev. C. M. James, Indian missionary.

RUMANIA: PATRIARCH AS MINISTER- PRESIDENT

Another change of government has taken place in Rumania. The Ministry of M. Goga has been quite shortlived, and King Carol has assumed direct authority. It is obvious that the new government, with the Patriarch as Minister-President and with members drawn from a wide range of parties, is intended to tide over a season of exceptional difficulty. If there is in its personnel any encouraging sign, it is that M. Jamandi, who was Minister of Cults in M. Tatarescu's government and who before resigning had promised to establish the legal rights and freedom of the Baptists throughout the whole of Rumania, is restored to his former office, and may thus have an opportunity to implement these promises. M. Tatarescu, who as Minister-President was a party to these undertakings, has also a seat in the new cabinet.

It will be recalled that the Patriarch appointed representatives of the Rumanian Orthodox Church to attend the Oxford conference, and that the admirable declaration on the freedom of the church issued by the conference received their support. If the government in which he holds the chief office acts in accordance with the letter and spirit of this declaration, Baptists and other members of minority churches will have reason to rejoice.

—J. H. Rushbrooke.

Brother E. D. Estes who recently began his work as evangelist of the State Board paid our office a visit. He is busy and wants to keep busy. And the people will keep him busy when they know him. He is a Mississippian who has done good service as a missionary in Arkansas. Now he comes back to us with the praise and good will of the Baptists in that state. Editor J. I. Cassey of the Arkansas Baptist says, "We regret very much to lose brother Estes. He is a loyal, steady and consecrated worker. We are sure that he will do a great work in your state."

A SPIRITUAL AWAKENING Ernest O. Sellers

During the summer of 1916, while traveling in the training camps of the British army in England, I had a feeling (the wish was probably father of the thought) that perhaps within a decade, as Mr. Moody's work followed the days "61-65," the world might witness a spiritual movement which could be compared with the wave of patriotism and nationalism that was then stirring men to action.

The years have passed without witnessing any striking spiritual movement. Still we have hope. E. Stanley Jones has recently said: "The world-ground is being prepared for a spiritual awakening on a very extensive scale." A Methodist bishop said to me a few days ago, "We may not be seeing any mass manifestations like that which accompanied the work of Moody or Wesley but the 'voltage is there' and one day soon we will all be rejoicing. The world is becoming disillusioned over the results of a mechanistic civilization. The only way to have manhood on a par with the wonderful advancements we have made in our material civilization is, by the grace of God, a spiritual revival."

Frenzied living and law defiance have distinguished our so-called civilization for more than two decades. Befuddled men have sought to solve their problems by changes in government, by New Deal legislation and educational methods only to find their laws treated as scraps of paper. Some world powers frankly advocate the throwing over of all agreements which at the moment seem to interfere with their alleged progress.

The best, the surest moral reform is to bring men to know Him whom to know aright will make the Sermon on the Mount regnant in society. What would happen if, for six months, every citizen should read the fifth chapter of Matthews Gospel daily? Then indeed men would intelligently face the world crisis (judgment) that has come upon our boasted civilization and work themselves back to peace and normalcy.

The future of society, while He tarries, depends upon whether Christianity sets to work, in the name of God, led by the Holy Spirit, to put into practice that sermon. Class discrimination, race antagonisms and nationalistic aspirations will melt away before God intoxicated men. "Conscience, when it becomes thoroughly concerned about the question of sin, demands the incarnation and the Cross."

It was the good news of the crucified and risen One that thrilled the Roman world. Not by ethics nor religious rites but by a living faith men are transformed. A sin-sick, staggering world is beginning, blindly but truthfully, to reach out its soiled and trembling hands for the sure, the living word, to meet its needs.

Jesus must be made inescapable. Our commitment to Him must be costly and irrevocable. Men need life more than light. Youth delights to give itself to causes. It tires of aimless discussion and longs for a master. Youth looks for a thrill, one that comes from a cause that is worth living and dying for. It is ours to help them to find in their Christ their "despotes"—Emperor—who is our sole "liege and Lord Jesus Christ" (Jude 4).

The work and office of the evangelist has not been set aside. Some pre-war methods undoubtedly have passed. But the message of the conquering, crucified and risen One, remains ever the same. Our prayer is that that war time urge may soon be filled full and by whatever means He may see fit.

The Tuesday's papers tell us that after the week-end spent on the Gulf Coast, the Mississippi legislature passed a bill to punish drunken drivers. Of course there was no talk of drunken drivers till the legislature four years ago passed a law legalizing the sale of beer.

EDITORIALS

WHY NOT?

We are publishing an article by Dr. W. O. Carver of the Louisville Seminary which gives his opinion of an attitude toward the World Inter-Church Council which it is proposed to organize in Holland in a short while. Dr. Carver is evidently sympathetic with the purpose to organize such a council, though he is unwilling to commit himself in advance to all the aims of such a body. This matter is of such significance to Christians and especially to our Baptist people that we feel justified in giving it consideration. But for the fact that the Southern Baptist Convention, in what we believe to be an unguarded moment, authorized one of its members to represent it at Oxford and Edinburgh last summer, it would be unnecessary to give such consideration to this council. It is just a demonstration of what we characterized recently as a Brer Rabbit and Tar Baby Act. It is more and more difficult to turn loose.

There are three things which make it undesirable and we believe impossible for Southern Baptists (or any Baptist body) to participate in such a Council. These are, first, the very constitution of the Southern Baptist Convention makes no provision for such an arrangement, and in the nature of the case is estopped from participating in it. The duties and work of the Convention are indicated in its written constitution. The purpose of the Convention is missionary, and educational in so far as education contributes to its mission work. The Convention is not authorized by the constitution to join up with any other organization, nor has it been authorized by its constituency to do so. The Convention cannot commit the churches within its bounds to any program which obligates them to participation in any such alliances. Its only business is to seek the cooperation in the evangelization of the world. And even here it cannot force them into participation. To undertake to do more is to endanger the very work the Convention is set to do. The reaction of the churches and people to participation in this inter-church council will endanger all our work. We have heard much in late years of "stretching the constitution," but this is going beyond all the new deal projects.

The second reason we believe such participation to be impossible is in the nature of Baptist churches. Baptist churches are constituted after the New Testament pattern and are absolutely autonomous. That is they are purely self-governing. No Convention can commit them to anything. They make their own decisions, and these decisions are final. No body of men can speak or act for these churches. For any representative or self appointed person, or person appointed by some body outside their membership, to assume to speak for them is not only assumption; it is presumption. And this is true however suavely, naively or diplomatically the thing is done. For Southern Baptists to be committed to an inter-church council is an impossibility by the very nature of Baptist churches themselves.

The third reason why it is impossible for Baptists to be committed to such a council is that the basis of cooperation among Baptists is purely because of agreement in beliefs and aims. It may be true that Baptists have no written creed. We boast that our creed is the Bible itself. But there can be no question that there is a well recognized agreement among Baptists as to their doctrines. Whoever heard of a Baptist church being organized that did not adopt articles of faith. And when the church made application for membership in an association, it was always stated that it has adopted the Baptist "Confession of Faith."

And this means simply that cooperation among the churches is dependent on and based on agreement in doctrines. Such cooperation is impossible without doctrinal agreement. We must believe the same thing or we can't preach the same

thing. Unless we believe the same things we cannot promote the same things. To try to preach together when there are differences in fundamental articles of faith is to reproduce the confusion of Babel. Now there can be no such cooperation between those who baptize infants and those who do not; between sacramentarians and those who are not; between those who believe in proxy religion and those who do not; between those who believe in a priestly order, and those who believe in universal priesthood of believers. And all down the line.

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DR. CARVER AND THE INTER-CHURCH COUNCIL

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In the article by Dr. W. O. Carver on the Inter-Church Council there are some reasons given for Baptist participation in it which need careful scrutiny. Dr. Carver is capable, if anybody is, of presenting the case, for he is a man of recognized ability and writes with genuine interest in the cause. This is no personal controversy. It is a conflict of opinions, and we believe of principles. Our people need to think this matter through carefully.

Dr. Carver begins with the argument that the world is sinking again into paganism, and the combination of all Christian elements is necessary to save it from this relapse and collapse. The condition is serious, but the remedy lacks the support of experience or scripture. The beginnings of the gospel were at a time when a handful of believers faced a whole pagan world. There was no possibility of great combinations and cooperative effort. And yet the greatest conquests the kingdom of God ever had were when these early Christians went forth depending on the power of God and their own personal witness to the truth. The day we abandon these methods for great combinations, that day the kingdom of God is doomed to failure.

Dr. Carver would prefer to separate the work of the Oxford Conference from that of the Edinburgh Conference, that is the work side from the doctrinal side. But those in charge of this business have settled that question by combining them into the proposed inter-church council. Dr. Carver thinks this effort is a mistake but it is already done; and the truth is that the same people were in both and the two things are bound to go together. You can't separate what people believe from what they do.

Dr. Carver also speaks of the sixty men who were asked to form the council to include all types of Christians. It would be interesting to know the genesis of this spontaneous generation by which it was decided to have sixty men. Like Topsy they seem to have just grown. Or like the evolution made earth, it just voluntarily decided to be born. Our insistence is that you do not arrive at the truth by compromise, and that you are not in position to advocate the truth. Our Baptist people have borne witness to the truths for which we stand and the world is beginning to give heed to them. To say now that we question these truths is to weaken our position. Shall we say we may be wrong about the matter of separation of church and state and form a union with all the state churches of Europe? Shall we say that we may be wrong about the right of every soul to direct access to God without the mediation of priest, and surrender to the episcopal order? Shall we say that we may be wrong about the symbolic nature of the ordinances and join forces with those who believe that one is made a child of God by baptism? For our part we believe that Baptists will have none of it; nor will they give any endorsement to union with those who have destroyed the foundation principles of the New Testament. Dr. Carver says, "We can do nothing that will involve our sanction of any of these, because we deeply believe that these are all contrary to and subversive of the Gospel of our Lord, and that in history they are responsible for the weaknesses and the failures of the churches in their mission to the world." Whenever these people forsake their errors it will be time to

talk about union with them.

But Dr. Carver does not altogether commit himself to the idea of church union. He says "No doubt there will be those who will wish to make this the chief interest, but it is not at all probable that the majority will take this view." Dr. Carver does not deny that it is the purpose of this Council to form some sort of church union. It is as plain as the nose on a man's face that that is in the minds of most those who participate in it, and especially those who dominate it. But Dr. Carver thinks it is not the "chief interest" of the majority.

Dr. Carver says that Baptists by cooperating with others "are understood as approving: state church; no demands for hierarchical ecclesiasticism; no sacramentarianism; no proxy religion." And yet the people with whom he proposes to cooperate advocate these very things. Any effort to combine with these people means one of two things: that the witness of Baptists is hushed, or that there will be a kilkenny time.

Finally Dr. Carver thinks that Baptists of all people are in the best position to confer with others and cooperate with others because of their policy of independence of the churches. We do not see where this conception arises. To our mind, individual Baptists can do as they please and go where they please. But they can do so only as individuals. They cannot represent other Baptists, nor commit other Baptists to any sort of cooperation, federation or union. To do so would be to abandon the freedom that Baptists have always claimed as their prerogative. We still hope and believe that Baptists will avoid the tar baby.

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SAVE TO THE UTTERMOST

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Among the passages of Scripture which seem to this writer to be misused is the one in Hebrews 7:25, "Wherefore also he is able to save to the uttermost them that draw near unto God through him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them." The common interpretation and application of "to the uttermost," is that the salvation which Jesus offers us and gives us is able to reach and be made effective in all people, even the worst and most debased of them. It may be true that Jesus provides this salvation for all, but this is not what is taught in the passage in Hebrews. There may be other passages of scripture that teach it, but this was not meant to teach it. And it is best to let every scripture passage retain and proclaim its meaning and message which it was intended to do.

What this Epistle to the Hebrews is here seeking to make manifest is the superiority of the priesthood of Jesus over that of Aaron or any of his descendants, or of all of them put together. The particular point of superiority here indicated is that the priesthood of Jesus is an eternal priesthood, and not a temporary makeshift. The priesthood of Aaron and his sons was only a type of Christ, and the offerings they made were only types, and were not themselves effective in removing sin.

In contrast with these the priesthood and sacrifice of Jesus are represented as abiding and eternal. This is the significance the reference to Melchizedek. He is spoken of as without father or mother, without beginning of days or end. So Jesus is "the author of eternal salvation"; not temporary relief. Our anchor is sure and steadfast and entering into that which is within the veil. Jesus is "a priest after the power of an endless life," "a priest forever." The Aaronic priests are "many in number, because that by death they are hindered from continuing"; but "He abideth forever; his priesthood is unchangeable." Wherefore also he is able to save to the uttermost them that draw near to God through him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them.

What the writer in Hebrews is doing is to assure those who have committed their case to the Lord Jesus that it is in safe hands; that there will be no falling down, nor interruption

on his part. I fear that he may die. Death cannot take him away. He has committed our souls to God, whoever he is. He will certainly undertake to bring us into the holy city of redemption." His is an "eternal

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RUMANIA

"The Times" of London of Monday, February 21st, announces that the king in a message to the people of Rumania has proclaimed a new Constitution "designed to put our state on a more solid and just basis."

Comment must needs be restricted to the brief summaries yet available. According to "The Times" statement the Constitution provides that:

"Rumania citizens, irrespective of racial origin and religion, are equal before the law. No Rumanian may advocate in speech or in writing a change in the form of government, a change in the distribution of wealth of others, exemption from taxes, or class trouble. The clergy may not use their ritual authority for political propaganda. All political associations based on religious pretexts are forbidden."

"The state guarantees to all religious denominations equal liberty and protection if their practice is not contrary to public order, good morals, and public security."

"Rumanians shall enjoy liberty of conscience, work, press, assembly, and association."

There is nothing in this statement which appears inconsistent with the promises given in the latter part of last year that "Decision No. 4781" of 1937 shall not be enforced but shall be allowed to lapse, and shall be replaced by provisions to establish the full rights and freedom of Baptists throughout the whole of Rumania on a basis of law. The Rumanian Baptists form no political associations on religious pretexts. They are thoroughly loyal citizens. We believe that the king is fully aware of this, and we trust that the enlarged powers to be exercised by him under the new Constitution will be so used as to bring to an end all religious repression and disability in the land. This we believe to be the desire of his majesty himself.

—J. H. Rushbrooke.

Pastor D. O. Horne on behalf of the Monticello church, presented a handsome Bible to Mr. Rowe Wilson at his ordination on the sixth.

Dr. J. S. Riser preaches the commencement sermon for Summerland High School April 14 and for Blue Mountain High School April 17.

Dr. W. W. Hamilton preaches in the revival meeting in Blue Mountain April 10-15. Brother Joe Canzoneri leads the singing.

The Central Baptist Pastors' Conference will meet at the Crystal Springs Baptist Church, Monday and Tuesday, March 28-29. The church authorized the pastor to issue an invitation to all preachers to come with us and we will provide bed and breakfast. Any pastors from outside our conference will be welcome. If you plan to attend, please send your name on a postcard to Mrs. Monroe Sanders, Crystal Springs, Miss., and rooms will be reserved.

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BROTHERHOOD ATTENDANCE MARCH 13

Laurel, First Church	34
Laurel, Second Avenue Church	18
Laurel, South Laurel Church	15
Summerland Church	8

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"I want a man to do odd jobs about the house, run errands, one who never answers back, and is always ready to do my bidding," explained a lady to an applicant for a post in the household.

"You're looking for a husband, not a servant!" said the applicant.—Ex.

LET'S GO

By A. L. GOODRICH, Circulation Manager

"Ask the People and They'll Subscribe"

GOING PLACES

Ruth:

Rev. B. T. Bishop is pastor at Ruth and five other churches. With only fifty members at Ruth he has built a house that would do honor to a much larger situation.

Recently he arranged for Slick Green to hold a meeting at Ruth and for the school trucks to bring people from the other five churches.

The plan has been a success, crowded houses, people from ten to fifteen churches and a generous revival.

Final results are not known but there were twenty-seven additions on Thursday night and twenty-two on Friday night.

Having so many churches represented, the pastor and Slick Green invited us to come and present the EF plan. We did and were assured that at least six churches would be on the EF list within a short time.

Sunday School Superintendent Greer of Ruth spoke up for Ruth right out in the meeting.

Lincoln County subscribers are listed as follows: Auburn 2; Bogue Chitto 6 and 7 R. F. D.; Brookhaven 38 and 26 R. F. D.; Union Hall church 20; Ruth 4; BIG SPRINGS CHURCH 15.

CIRCULATION LAST WEEK

14,600

IT MUST BE GOOD

Several EVERY FAMILY lists have recently come in but lack of time prevents listing them. They'll appear next week. But over 200 churches can't all be wrong.

IT MUST BE GOOD.

IT HELPS ANY PASTOR

I greatly enjoy reading the news items and articles, as well as the editorials, in the Record each week. The paper has given me a familiarity with Baptist life in Mississippi as no other agency could have.—Henry T. Brookshire, Gulfport.

HE SAYS "IT DOES PAY"

Dear brother Goodrich:

Everyone in our church seems to enjoy our paper and it has helped every part of our work. I wish I could begin to tell the others that are not taking it just what it will do for their work.—E. N. Patterson, Pascagoula.

Give my regards to our good friend M. C. Waldrup over at Clinton who started me off reading the Record while he was my pastor at Big Springs church, Lincoln County—J. A. Sandifer, A.B., '23, Mississippi College.

"I sure do like the Record and hope to never be without it for it is a sure guard to those who read it to keep them in the path where God's light and blessing are falling.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Flora McCaffrey,
Bogue Chitto, Miss."

HE IS EXACTLY RIGHT

Dr. Glen Eric Wiley recently become pastor at Grenada scored 100 when he wrote: "... I think the budget plan is a splendid thing. I know of NO BETTER 'ASSISTANT PASTOR' THAN THE STATE PAPER."

Thank you for subscriptions sent in: Monticello Baptist Church; Miss Grace Allen, McComb; Rev. W. H. Wood, Clinton; Pleasant Hill W. M. U., Simpson County; Rev. B. E. Phillips, New Hebron; Rev. J. R. Davis, Clinton; Mr. W. W. Brown, Natchez, Route 1; Rev. R. B. Patterson, Okolona; First Baptist Church, Gulfport; Miss Ruth Lawson, Brandon R.F.D.;

Mrs. J. M. Brownlee, Columbus; Mr. R. I. Miller, Union; Rev. F. M. Britt, Florence; Rev. J. L. Boyd, Meridian; Rev. Jesse Dorroh, Slate Springs; Rev. R. L. Breland, Coffeeville, and Mr. W. F. Waller, Shubuta.

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LOOKING AT THE WORLD

(Continued from page 1)

overwhelmingly elected by the people. Democracy is assuredly not sitting pretty.

(As this goes to press the Germany-Austrian situation has changed.)

THIS IS AN ADVERTISEMENT

Be sure to read it.

We need your money.

Be sure to send it.

We will pay your debts.

FIVE THOUSAND CLUB
HUNDRED THOUSAND CLUB

The widow of Rev. J. R. Edwards recently gave to Louisiana College his library which is said to have contained many valuable books. Dr. Edwards was born in Hinds County, Mississippi, but his life work was in Louisiana where he was president of Mt. Lebanon College and a trustee of Louisiana College.

Secretary C. M. Brittain and Layman Secretary Latimer have been holding mission conferences all over Florida. Reporting the one in Daytona Dr. Brittain says, "Brother D. H. Hall the new pastor at DeLand brought one of the most helpful and thought-inspiring evangelistic messages we ever heard."

PASTORAL CHANGES: T. P. McGary goes to Milburn, Ky., for half time; C. D. Owen has been called to Temple Church, Abilene, Texas; T. E. West goes to Williamsburg, Ky.; S. J. Douglas to Southside, Paducah; Sam Malone succeeds C. D. Owen at Seminole, Texas; R. N. Owen goes from Paris to Clarksville, Tenn.; C. F. Clark resigns Highland Park, Chattanooga to work for the state board; Jno. W. Inzer from Montgomery, Ala., to Asheville, N. C.; V. T. Bodein succeeds L. C. Shepherd at Pullen Memorial Church, Raleigh, N. C.

The Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is now seeking to enlist the cooperation of the states in a group insurance plan which will provide an annuity for all pastors reaching the age of 65 who have been 25 or more years in the ministry. In this plan the preacher pays three per cent of his salary, the church three per cent and the state board two per cent. The minimum for the pastor to pay is \$2.50 a month, and the maximum is \$10.00 a month. And at 65 the preacher is to be paid a pension equal to one-half his average salary for the previous twenty-five years. Some of the states have adopted the plan.

When Paul said, "Woe is me if I preach not the gospel," he used just one word for "preach the gospel," and that is our word evangelize. The brethren who separate the words and put the emphasis on "the gospel," do so on their own responsibility. Paul was not talking about some who preach the gospel and others who preach about something else. With him preaching was preaching the gospel. In the ninth chapter of First Corinthians he was just saying that he had to preach whether he was paid anything for it or not. He said a preacher ought to be paid for his work. But a preacher who would not work unless he was paid for it wasn't fit to preach at all. There was the impelling call of God on him and he would be miserable if he didn't preach. He simply had to preach, pay or no pay. We have seen a few preachers who said they were unhappy because they were not preaching. They might follow Paul's example and start preaching to the next man they meet, without waiting for a church to call them with a stipulated salary.

WHY MISSIONARY DAY

J. E. Dillard

"Why this Missionary Day the last Sunday in March; we have put on our Every Member Canvass and also talked Hundred Thousand Club; isn't that enough?"

No, it is not enough. No one ever does enough for Jesus and a lost world. You have done well in putting on the Every Member Canvass and enrolling members in the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club.

But you didn't reach all your members in the Every Member Canvass; the chances are you enlisted only about half of them. Probably if they had known more about our mission work more of them would have subscribed, and many of those who did subscribe would have made their subscriptions larger. Here is your opportunity.

And this gives you an opportunity to present our mission work more completely and more concretely than was possible when presenting the entire Cooperative Program. People can not easily visualize all the objects at once, it is well to preach on and teach about the various items in the program using concrete examples.

And then some people have enjoyed special blessings and would give expression to their gratitude if given the opportunity to contribute to a cause they especially love. There is an especial appeal in the present crucial situations existing on our mission fields.

And yet again, we need to teach all our people, especially all our young people the Master's will concerning a lost world and what we should do about it. Missionary day may mean a day of increased information, and enthusiasm, and consecration, and sacrifice. Young people may catch the vision of a lost world and hear the call to special service.

Then how greatly our mission boards need money to carry on and get out of debt. No, there isn't any danger of our people knowing too much about our work or giving too much for Him who gave himself for us.

Wise pastors and superintendents and B. T. U. leaders and W. M. S. presidents et al will think and pray and plan together to make March 27 a real missionary day in their church. (See program in "The Teacher" and "The Sunday School Builder.")

"We must work the works of him that sent me."—Jesus.

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CONVENTION MINISTERS RETIREMENT PLAN

By Thomas J. Watts, Executive Secretary
The Relief and Annuity Board, S. B. C.

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Acting under the authority of the Baptist State Convention, the General Board at its meeting on February 25 unanimously adopted the South Carolina Ministers' Retirement Plan, to be administered by The Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. The South Carolina General Board proposes to put the plan into operation by July 1st next, or as soon thereafter as may be possible. Associational meetings of pastors and deacons are being called by General Secretary Charles A. Jones who is actively sponsoring Reverend B. Frank Hasty, field secretary of The Relief and Annuity Board, in enlisting pastors and churches in this convention plan.

The pastors will pay 3% of their monthly salaries toward the cost of the retirement and disability benefits and the churches are being asked to pay an amount equivalent to 3% of the salaries which they pay their ministers into the Convention Ministers' Retirement fund. These contributions are to be supplemented by other convention raised funds in an amount equivalent to 2% of the participating ministers' salaries. Out of this convention fund, which will be in the custody of The Relief and Annuity Board, the retiring and disability benefits will be drawn almost in their entirety at the beginning. Then as the members' reserve grows an ever increasing portion of the benefits will be paid therefrom until in the years to come the entire plan will

be brought to a funded basis, at which time the denominational share of the cost will either be decreased or the benefit provisions of the plan will be increased. Further in the cast of a member in active service on the date of the inauguration of the retirement plan, credit will be allowed for prior service rendered in South Carolina or elsewhere. This is a feature that no other plan so far developed has included with definiteness and it is what the preachers have wanted for long.

Let the reader understand that this is a group plan. The churches will contribute to a group fund to be administered on a group basis. They will not be contributing merely toward their own ministers' retirement annuities, but rather toward the annuities of all the ministers participating in the group.

Nine other state conventions or boards have appointed committees to collaborate with The Relief and Annuity Board with a view to the development of a plan similar to the provisions of the South Carolina Convention Ministers Retirement Plan. Reports will be made by these committees during the present year to their boards and conventions and favorable convention action is expected in a number of states next fall.

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INFORMATION CONCERNING RICHMOND HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS FOR SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION, MAY 7-15

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Jefferson Hotel, Jefferson and Franklin:

Number of rooms.....400

Rates:
Single room with bath.....\$3.00 to \$6.00
Single room without bath.....2.00 to 2.50
Double room with bath.....4.50 to 6.00
Double room without bath.....3.00 to 4.00
Twin beds with bath.....5.50 to 8.00
Twin beds without bath.....4.50
Parlor suites.....10.00 to 16.00

John Marshall Hotel, 5th and Franklin Sts.:

Number of rooms.....400

Rates:
Single room with bath.....\$3.00 to \$5.00
Double room with bath.....5.00 to 6.00
Twin beds with bath.....6.00 to 8.00
Parlor suites.....8.50 to 25.00

Murphy's Hotel, 8th and Broad St.:

Number of Rooms.....250

Rates:
Single room with bath.....\$2.50 & \$3.00
Single room without bath.....2.00
Double room with bath.....4.00 & 4.50
Double room without bath.....3.00
Twin beds with bath.....5.00 & 6.00
Twin beds without bath.....3.50 & 4.00
Parlor suites.....8.00 & 10.00

Richmond Hotel, 9th and Grace Sts.:

Number of rooms.....300

Rates:
Single room with bath.....\$2.50 to \$4.00
Single room without bath.....2.00
Double room with bath.....4.00 to 6.00
Double room without bath.....3.00
Twin beds with bath.....5.00 to 8.00
Twin beds without bath.....3.50
Parlor suites.....12.00

Rueger's Hotel, 9th and Bank Sts.:

Number of rooms.....130

Rates:
Single room with bath.....\$2.25 & Up
Single room without bath.....1.75 & \$2.00
Double room with bath.....3.25 & Up
Double room without bath.....3.00
Twin beds with bath.....4.00 & Up
Twin beds without bath.....3.50

William Byrd Hotel, 2501 W. Broad St.:

Number of rooms.....200

Rates:
Single room with bath.....\$2.50 to \$4.00
Single room without bath.....2.25 to 3.00
Double room with bath.....4.00 to 6.00
Double room without bath.....3.50 to 5.00
Parlor suites.....10.00 to 20.00

Capitol Hotel, 8th and Grace Sts.:

Number of rooms.....102

Rates:
Single room with bath.....\$2.00 to \$2.50

Single room without bath.....1.50
Double room with bath.....3.00 to 3.50
Double room without bath.....2.00 to 2.50
Twin beds with bath.....3.50 to 4.00
Twin beds without bath.....3.00

Travelers Hotel, 10 W. Main St.:

Number of rooms.....95

Rates:
Single room with bath.....\$1.50 to \$2.00
Double room with bath.....2.50 to 3.00

Hotel Sharlee, 407 E. Main St.:

Number of rooms.....40

Rates:
Single room without bath.....\$1.00 & Up
Double room without bath.....\$1.50 & Up

Gilbert's Hotel, 801 E. Franklin St.:

Number of rooms.....50

Rates:
Single room with bath.....\$1.50
Single room without bath.....1.00
Double room with bath.....2.50
Double room without bath.....2.00

Hotel Connell & Miller, 310 N. 3rd St.:

Number of rooms.....20

Rates:
Single room with bath.....\$1.50 & Up
Single room without bath.....1.25 & Up
Double room with bath.....3.00 & Up
Double room without bath.....2.00 & Up

The Walford, 8 S. 3rd St., Y.W.C.A.:

Number of rooms.....17 (40)

Rates:
Single room with bath.....1.50
Single room without bath.....1.00
Double room with bath.....2.50
Double room without bath.....2.00

Sevilla Hotel, 115 N. Jefferson St.:

Number of rooms.....53

Rates:
Single room with bath.....\$2.00 to \$2.50
Double room with bath.....2.50 to 3.00

These are the names and rates of the Richmond hotels for the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention. Those desiring reservations at any of the hotels will please make them direct with the hotel.

Anyone wishing accommodations other than in hotels will please write Mr. Ernst W. Farley, Housing chairman, P. O. Box 1536, Richmond, Virginia.

Harvard Plan rates will not be in excess of one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) per day.

S. T. Matthews, General Chairman

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THE SUN-SET SEA

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When sinks life's evening sun

Into the glowing west;

With arduous labors done,

There shall be welcome rest.

With strife and conflict past;

While hopeful faith yet lives;

Our weary souls at last

Shall know the peace He gives.

Stormy and rough the way,

With dark clouds hanging o'er,

But soon a brighter day,

When we shall reach that shore.

Here dearest ties must break

And friend from friend must part,

But when that port we make

Grief never strikes the heart.

Come then earthly ills,

Our souls serene shall be;

Soon every conflict stills,

Beyond the sun-lit sea.

—J. E. Gwatkin

Baptist Bible Institute.

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A little over two million dollars have been distributed to needy preachers and their widows by the Relief and Annuity Board in Dallas in the past twenty years. And half as much more have been paid out in annuities.

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CONCERNING THE PROPOSED WORLD CHRISTIAN COUNCIL

Professor W. O. Carver
S. B. T. S., Louisville, Ky.

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This article appeared in some other Baptist papers and is here reproduced at request of Dr. Carver.

As is well known, there were held last summer two ecumenical Christian conferences—one at Oxford, on Christian Life and Work; the other at Edinburgh, on Faith and Order. The emphasis of the first was on the problems and tasks of the churches of Jesus Christ as we face a world in dire distress and confusion, and with a resurgence of paganism pressing hard upon the lands that have been reckoned "Christian" as well as actively gripping the peoples who have not been brought within the listing of Christendom. This paganism is implementing itself with systems of government, economics, and social programs that are repugnant to the essential spirit and teaching of Jesus Christ, with nationalism, communism, and fascism, and with race and class pride arrogance and persecution. The Christian forces face this condition with a sense of inadequacy and lack of unity of message and method that raise serious misgiving and involve distressing weakness. This Oxford Conference sought to define the situation and the need and to suggest ways of meeting it more effectively. To this end it was proposed that a permanent clearing house of study, counsel, fellowship and prayer might be set up.

The Edinburgh Conference had before it a different question, but one in the minds of many very closely related to the practical business of Christians, and thought by some to be essentially related to the practical problem. This was the matter of the beliefs of Christians, their "creeds," and their worship, and the constitution of "the church." Here the differences are much greater, and there is far less of agreement both as to the proper forms and ways and as to the importance of agreement among Christians concerning them. However, this Conference was dealing with questions that have been concerning some of the denominations longer than have the practical questions that were under review at Oxford.

It was decided to seek to include these questions with the Oxford interests and see whether they may not all be included under the functions of one common Council, to advise and counsel for all evangelical Christians. I am myself strongly of the opinion that the effort to merge these two sets of questions, at this time certainly, is a mistake and may hinder the progress toward the better meeting of the practical questions of the Christian message, and the ethical and social influence of Christianity in our present day world.

Looking toward the setting up of the proposed Council, it has been planned to have sixty men chosen from all denominations represented in the Oxford and Edinburgh Conferences. Ten of these commissioners are Americans. The rest are from all other parts of the world. The responsibility of these commissioners will be to define the function and scope of the World Council, and to draft a Constitution under which it will operate, if and when this Constitution and its defined purpose and objectives shall have been approved and adopted by the denominations involved.

The framing of the Constitution does not in itself commit any denomination to membership in the Council, or to any participation in it. That will be for each denomination to determine when it has studied the proposed terms and plans. It is highly important that this Constitution shall be so framed as to make it most acceptable to as many—all if possible—of the denominations as are interested in its purpose. To that end it is important that all types of evangelical churches be represented in the Commission, where it will be possible for their convictions and viewpoints to be reckoned with. That is why it seems

to some of us that Southern Baptists ought to be glad to have a spokesman there.

In an article published in the Courier-Journal, Monday, January 17, it is a little unfortunate that space limitations prevented the writer from presenting an adequate explanation of this Commission which is to meet this coming May. The article stressed especially the idea of Christian unity, cooperation and Church Union. No doubt there will be those who will wish to make this the chief interest, but it is not at all probable that the majority will take this view. The practical demands are likely to be the more urgent. The Courier-Journal article was largely made up of quotations from an address by an English Archbishop, after the Oxford Conference, in which he stressed the church union aspect with great zeal. It should be understood that this is one man's interpretation and in no way binds the Commission in their deliberations. I did not see the article or know its contents until its publication.

It is desirable also that it shall be understood that this proposed World Council has no organic connection with any existing National Councils, Federations, or other bodies. It is a new movement and it is to be related directly to such "Churches" (denominations), as shall decide to participate in it.

Baptist principles and polity are such as make it impossible for any commissioner to commit them to any centralized control of faith, worship, or work, and such as make it impossible for them to accept any superior control or overlordship of the individual church. This very fact should make Baptists the freest of all people to consult and counsel with any Christians concerning the interests of the Kingdom of God, and to participate in any efforts for the evangelization of men, and the application of Christian principles to the life of men that may appeal to them as wise and worthy, so long as the fundamental teachings of Jesus Christ, as we understand them, are not compromised.

Baptists must insist in all circumstances that in their relations to and cooperation with fellow Christians they are understood as approving: No state churches; no demand for hierarchical ecclesiasticism; no sacramentarianism; no proxy religion. We can do nothing that involves our sanction of any of these because we deeply believe that these are all contrary to, and subversive of, the Gospel of our Lord, and that in history they are responsible for the weaknesses and the failures of the churches in their mission to the world. We do not wish to lord it over the consciences of our brethren, nor to refuse fellowship with them where we may share with them in a common experience, a common faith, and a common task.

So far as I am myself concerned, I had no knowledge of the plans for the appointment of the American commissioners or of any thought of my being included until I saw the announcement of my selection in the Courier-Journal. I regret that circumstances make it wholly impracticable for me to consider going to Holland for the meeting.

—BR—

Mr. Jack Perkins, business manager of Clarke College, will be ready to give the entire summer to singing in evangelistic meetings. He is highly esteemed as leader of the music in the Newton church. Address him at Newton.

Mr. Sam Lindsey is general chairman of the Jones County S. S. Training school to be held at First Church, Laurel, March 28-April 1. Assisting are state workers E. C. Williams, J. A. Farmer and Miss Ruby Taylor. Local teachers are Dr. O. A. Eure, Mrs. J. H. Street and others to be selected. There are two class periods every evening, and a conference period. The books to be studied are: Outlines of Bible History, Adult Department, Young People's Department, Junior Department, Primary Department and Building A Standard Sunday School. Study Course Book in charge of E. D. Hurst. All interested in S. S. work are invited.

EFFECTIVE EVANGELISM

David M. Gardner, St. Petersburg, Fla.

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There are two types of evangelism. One is spurious; the other, spiritual. One is man-made; and the other, God-given. Spurious evangelism is emotionalism pumped up by the mechanical efforts of human ingenuity. It depends upon spectacular "stunts" or "pep" to attract the attention of the public. It is maneuvered and manipulated by man-power. It is invariably promoted by independent and ordinarily interdenominational evangelists. The evangelist is short on conviction, but strong on courage to castigate churches and condemn denominationalism. He makes it plain that he does not care which church or denomination his converts "join," but is careful to point out that in his last "great campaign" the denomination that "gave most got most."

Such efforts are effective, but not for spiritual good. It usually takes considerable time to overcome the havoc such meetings play in the spiritual life of a community.

Our churches, and in fact all Christian denominations, might as well face the fact that we are doomed if, and when, we abandon the old-fashioned custom of church revivalism and follow the Federal Council of Churches in its fanciful scheme for a "new evangelism." It is now an open secret that the primary purpose of such scheme is to do-to-death all denominations, or to merge all denominations into a sort of religious monstrosity. Back of the movement to close churches during the summer months in the interest of union services, and back of all city-wide union meetings stands a sinister spirit destined to paralyze effective spiritual evangelism.

The denominations that have grown virile, vigorous and strong have majored on church evangelism. We have learned from experience that the best way for the various Christian denominations to be mutually helpful is for each church to assume the responsibility for its own meeting. A real old-fashioned revival in any one church will set forward and re-enforce every other church in the community, while a union meeting will mainly serve to set forward interdenominational non-descript sects. Through such meetings all churches are exploited and evangelism is commercialized and cheapened.

Southern Baptists have been wonderfully blessed in the large number of sane evangelists and evangelistic pastors who promote spiritual evangelism in and through our churches. We are exceedingly fortunate in having Dr. R. Q. Leavell, through the years a great evangelistic pastor, now director of evangelism under the Home Mission Board. His plan for great city-wide simultaneous campaigns, where each church selects its own help either an evangelist or pastor evangelist, will give to our churches just the type of evangelism we need and at a very modest expense to the board. We are praying for and expecting 1938 to be the greatest year for soul winning Southern Baptists have ever seen. Let us do our best to make it so.

—BR—

A MISTAKE

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Some amusement is accorded the editor as he reads the following from The Messenger, quoted in the Watchman-Examiner:

When a plumber makes a mistake, he charges twice for it.

When a lawyer makes a mistake, it is just what he wanted, because he has a chance to try the case all over again.

When a carpenter makes a mistake, it's just what he expected.

When a doctor makes a mistake, he buries it.

When a judge makes a mistake, it becomes the law of the land.

When a preacher makes a mistake, nobody knows the difference.

But when an editor makes a mistake—good night!

Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

OUR STATE OFFICERS

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The women of New Albany are getting ready for guests April 5-7 and I believe it will be the courteous thing to let them know you are coming. Send your name to: MRS. E. C. CALDWELL, NEW ALBANY, MISS.

Tell her when you expect to arrive and whether you are coming by train, bus, or driving your car.

Each year just before our annual meeting we begin to consider the next meeting place. Sometimes the invitations come and then again we have to solicit requests for them.

We believe there is a growing sentiment to localize our convention and put it on the pay plan.

There are some good reasons for this and I will appreciate expressions from our women on this question. Please express your opinions by writing this office.

We have a splendid program outlined for our Convention—using for the general theme "Glory to God in the highest." We are attempting to make this annual meeting outstanding in spiritual power. We are celebrating both the fiftieth anniversary of W. M. U. of the South and the sixtieth anniversary of the state W. M. U.

Fellow Christians of Mississippi—Greetings:

A rare privilege is mine: to be back in my own beloved Mississippi for our Golden Jubilee year of Woman's Missionary Union, laboring together for God with you! As we "pause to express gratitude to God for His blessings upon His work through the missionary organizations of Southern Baptist women, young people and children; to review the work of the past fifty years and pay homage to those valiant women upon whose foundation we are building today; to evaluate the program we are following today in the light of the results of the efforts of fifty years; and to project plans that will yield a bountiful harvest of spiritual blessing to those who work with us and to those who will follow us—plans that will also yield material blessing to the program of Woman's Missionary Union"—surely this shall be a holy year.

What part will you have in making this a "holy year"? In prayer? In enlistment? Will you participate in a Pioneer Mission Study Class, or teach one? Will you plan now for a Mission study Institute in your church or association? May we "prepare ourselves, we and all our companies that are assembled with us"! Then, what will your part be in our great Jubilee plan of giving?

We do pause in gratitude to God for those Mississippi women who during the past sixty years have laid the firm foundation for the work of Woman's Missionary Union in our own State. We would follow in their train. May we work together this Golden Jubilee year of Southern Baptist Woman's Missionary Union, and the sixtieth anniversary of Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union work, to make this truly a "holy year" for the Master who said, "As the Father hath sent me, even so send I you"—"Go tell"—"That the world may know Him whom to know is life eternal." I am ready at any time to help in any way I can. Call on me!

Jane Pinnix

ATTENTION, W. M. U. TRAINING SCHOOL ALUMNAE

It is important that we find out how many former Training School students expect to be in Richmond, Virginia, May 8-11, for the Jubilee

W. M. U. annual meeting. If it is your purpose to be there, please write a postal to that effect immediately to the Training School, 334 E. Broadway, Louisville, Ky. Give your name and address so that we can give you definite instructions about the Training School program and alumnae meeting.

Carrie U. Littlejohn

WHEELBARROWING IN THE MOUNTAINS

December, 1937.

Evangelist Hou and I have just completed a long tour of some of the churches in our district in revival meetings. The Lord working with us in power. At one place hardly had the preacher finished his sermon on sin when a young man under deep conviction arose and said "Do pray for me, my heart is full of sin," and without invitation rushed to the altar falling literally on his face weeping out his sins before the Lord. With this others and others came in humble contrition. Some were Christians with wrong things in their hearts and lives, some were unsaved and coming to the Lord for cleansing. People have been saved at each place. Thus the Lord working in our midst.

When we started on this tour in October brother Parker took us to the first place in our Ford V-8. From there to the next place we traveled ox-cart and then struck the mountains. So we changed to wheel-barrow, or pullman car as we often term it, one man pushing and another pulling. Winding around the mountain paths is a bit tedious and takes careful watching of steps for the barrow men. I sit on one side on my bedding roll and my belongings, cooking outfit, etc., balance me on the other. When crossing the mountain streams it is necessary for the barrow-men to pull off their shoes and wade through. At one place there was a stone foot-log. The men were expert and had crossed that log with a barrow many times—but I was not expert in riding in a wheel-barrow across foot-logs and the water did look deep and cold. I insisted on walking the log, but this would make the barrow light on one side and hard to balance in crossing. Still hanging out over the water was too much for me so we impressed a passer-by to ride in my stead. Safely and steadily the crossing was made greatly to my relief for my bedding, cooking outfit, clothing, literature, etc., were swinging in the balance. It was twelve miles to the next place and the road was steep and rough. Finally we came to a little open plain. Mr. Hou who was riding a donkey remarked that we would have better roads, just at that moment the barrow man slipped and stumbled and over went my barrow gently rolling me off and down the mountain side. No harm was done; we all had a good laugh, rested awhile and started again. After a while we reached our destination, not a church but there are six Christian families in the town and five miles from a church. After earnest pleading from these Christians we had wedged this into our tour. We have a primary school here which is the educational and religious center. How they did welcome us, and brought in good eats to refresh us. We were a bit weary after the six hours travel. I had forgotten that it was Thursday—every day so much alike in meetings from place to place. About half an hour after our arrival a messenger from the city arrived with good home mail and a good Thanksgiving dinner. Miss Ray had not forgotten that it was Thursday and Thanksgiving Thursday at that. How good it all was.

Our hearts are full of thanksgiving to Him the giver of every good and perfect gift. He has been good to us through the poor and is good

to us in still giving us quiet here in our section so that we can calmly carry on in every line of our work as usual. And such ripe harvest fields. How we do praise Him.

The meetings in the little school house were good, souls were saved, the Christians strengthened and when we left them they were going out seeking the lost with the Gospel message.

Then other meetings and still others and still further back into the mountains we went. Beautiful scenery on every side even though the travel was difficult. We came to a town called the Beginning of Towns beyond which there is supposed to be no town but we know of a town on up and beyond which there is a live church and that they were looking for us that very day. We halted for lunch at Beginning of Towns, gathered the few Christians together for a little prayer service and prepared for the next lap of the journey. Even our barrow must stop here, no barrow could pass the next seven miles. Mr. Hou had not stopped for lunch but went ahead to meet the afternoon engagement. My outfit was placed on a pack animal, and I on another. Sure footed mountain mules they were and experienced men to lead every step of the way. At length we came to the worst half mile. I insisted on walking but the man insisted that I ride so as to care for the blankets the day was cold and windy, and for his bag of buns—his bread for the coming week. So I clung to my mule, at times leaning forward lying close to the mule with my fingers twined into his shaggy unkempt mane. Those buns thrown across my lap were pressed buns after that ride. After sundown we arrived at the church town. A royal welcome and a hot supper, many curious on-lookers at the weary missionary.

A fine little church we have here and a good primary school taught by one of our graduates. It was good to be there and the meetings were heart satisfying. The church is well located, right at the foot of one of China's sacred mountains which many pilgrims climb at stated times each year to worship the gods in the temples high up in the mountain top. The Christians have good opportunity to give the message to those pilgrims who are searching for the way but who are on the wrong road.

Much literature is distributed as we travel from place to place, how gladly they do reach out for these tracts telling of the Jesus way. There is many a conversation along the way pointing someone here and there to Jesus who saves. Mr. Hou is very fine in this work. And now and then he can be seen kneeling by the way praying with some anxious soul.

The next meeting being on the other side of the mountain was more accessible making travel easier. One more meeting and then back to the city to have a few days at Christmas with the friends. At the end of the week brother Parker came out in the Ford so the fifteen miles were as nothing. We were soon with the friends—our missionary family. Good to be back in our little home after eight strenuous but happy fruitful weeks from church to church in meetings.

The Christmas service at the church was wonderful, our own Christmas dinner was simple indeed. So much distress and sorrow around us we had a very quite time of it.

At that time I did not know of the sorrow that had come to my own home there in dear old Cherry Creek. But our Father has been so good to us in giving our dear mother to us for eighty-three years. We praise Him that she is at home with the Lord. We bespeak your prayers for our work here.

Pearl Caldwell.

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EAST MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT

By R. L. BRELAND

"Fruits of the Years"

Recently, during the week of
prayer for Home Missions, the Bap-
tist women of the South have been
studying the little book, "Fruits of
the Years," by Mrs. H. M. Whar-
ton. The writer had the good pleas-
ure of reading this good little book
along with the women of his church
and writing up the examination as
given by the leader, Mrs. Helen
Maples. It was soul-inspiring to read
of the marvelous achievements of
these wonderful women who organ-
ized the women of the Southern Bap-
tist Convention and then kept the
fires burning and ever increasing
during these long, hard years since
then.

One of the characters that did
as much or more to make the "Fruits
of the Years" possible was Miss An-
nie W. Armstrong, the first corre-
sponding secretary of the union. She
toiled and traveled, gave and sacri-
ficed for her Lord and inspired
thousands of other women to catch
the vision of giving Christ to the
lost millions. She had wonderful
helpers along the way, but Miss
Armstrong was everywhere bring-
ing courage and inspiration to the
women.

Here in our own state of Missis-
sippi there were those who had
their part in the "Fruits of the
Years." Mrs. J. L. Johnson, Mrs.
A. J. Aven, Miss M. M. Lackey,
and now Miss Fannie Traylor, Mrs.
Ned Rice and a score of enthusias-
tic workers who labored for the
Master and have won honor to their
Lord and crowns in heaven.

The record of the women's work
is marvelous. Their three outstand-
ing characteristics were Faith, Per-
severance and Service. They "be-
lieved the Scripture, and the word
which Jesus had said," and relied
on Phil. 4:19: "My God shall supply
all your need, according to to His
riches in glory by Christ Jesus." With
faith they pushed forward
and overcame in His name, sur-
mounting seemingly impossible dif-

ficulties. Their gifts have steadily
grown practically each year, and it
is expected that the present Annie
W. Armstrong offering for Home
Missions shall exceed any offering
yet made. Our work would move
slowly but for the wonderful work
of our women as shown in the
"Fruits of the years." May His
blessings ever be with them.

Glad to have Rev. E. B. Shivers
in this part of the state, having re-
cently come from Raleigh to Cold-
water and Como. Hearty welcome,
brother.

I notice that Cleveland Baptist
Church is arranging to erect an
educational annex to her large
church building, having outgrown
her space. Rev. I. D. Eavenson has
been pastor there for a number of
years. This church is behind the
Chinese mission work in the Delta.

Recently Rev. H. T. McLaurin,
our new promotional secretary,
preached at Tillatoba and Oakland
Baptist churches. Brother McLaurin
is practically unknown in this part
of the state, but he will make him-
self known. I knew of his work as
enlistment man in east Mississippi
several years ago. He is all right
and you need not fear having him
come into your churches.

Monday, March 21st, the North-
Central Pastors' and Laymen's As-
sembly will meet with New Hope
Baptist Church, two miles south of
Slate Springs. The Bible study con-
sists of the fourth and fifth chap-
ters of I John, 2nd and 3rd John
and Jude. Rev. A. M. Overton, of
Fulton, Miss., is on the program to
preach with Rev. S. W. Rogers as
his alternate. Come over and study
and worship with the brethren.

Rev. Oliver Hood of Slate Springs,
Miss., says: "I enjoyed filling your
appointment at Pittsboro very much.
... I will always bring God's word
to your people." Brother Hood is
one of our promising young preach-
ers.

DIED—Mrs. Abner Williams, age
66, whose home was at Coffeetown,
died March 6th with pneumonia.
She was an excellent woman. Her
membership was at Turkey Creek
Baptist Church, Calhoun County.
She was buried in the cemetery of
that church beside her husband who
died several years ago. The writer
conducted the services and was as-
sisted by Rev. W. C. Howard and
Rev. C. T. Schmitz. She leaves six
splendid children, all grown, with
whom we sympathize.

DIED—Saturday, March 5th, Guy
L. Thornton died at the home of
his mother, Mrs. E. E. Cox, at Co-
lumbus, Miss. He leaves his mother,
wife and five children. He was a
member of Hopewell Baptist Church,
buried at Shiloh near Coffeetown, the
writer officiating. His home was in
the western part of Calhoun Coun-
ty. Condolence to the bereaved.

March 9th a telephone call came
from Lake, Miss., stating that Mrs.
Connie Morgan, wife of Deacon A.
N. Morgan, had just died. She was
one of our best women, a member
of Hazel Baptist Church, near Lake.
She was one of the writer's best
friends. May the Lord comfort the
husband and splendid children.

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BELOVED PASTOR

There's a vacant pew beside us,
In the church we called our own,
There's an aching and a longing
For the spirit that has flown.
And our souls are filled with sad-
ness
As we miss him more and more,
Ever thinking of our pastor
Who has crossed the Golden Shore.

There are footsteps that are missing
And a voice we long to hear,
As we listen in our sorrow
For the pastor we held so dear.
And we sit in retrospection
Yearning for the days of old,
Thinking of the happy hours
Which his presence did unfold.

In our solitude we wonder
Through a veil of mist and tears,
With our humble lives before us
With their sorrows and fears.
While there comes to us a vision
From beyond the Azure skies,
Of a noble hearted pastor
With kindness in his eyes.

Of a fragrant rose that blossomed
Drooped its tired and aching head,
Like a little child at twilight
In a downy trundle bed.
He the fairest of all flowers
In life's garden here below,
Wafted to the Heavenly Kingdom
Where sweet peace will overflow.

While our hearts are heavy laden
And our burden hard to bear,
Through the gloaming there is solace
For the cross we have to wear.
Like a whisper from an angel
To be brave and make the flight
For the pastor of our dreams, is
watching it seems,
And wants us always to do right.

To follow the path of the righteous
To do as he'd want us to do,
With his image entwined round our
heart strings,
I know we'll come safely through.
Like a rainbow of hope through the
shadows,
As we walk down the pathway of
life

With our dear pastor as a beacon,
To guard us from danger and
strife.

—Mrs. W. E. Gates

421 Louisiana Ave.,

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In memory of Dr. J. W. Mayfield,
McComb, Miss.

UP IN TIPPAAH

The last two Sundays have been
marked by a deepened spiritual life
as evidenced by a splendid man and
father making a profession of faith,
uniting with the church for bap-
tism, a fine lady by letter, and an
increase in attendance at the serv-
ices of the church.

During the week of February 27
to March 2, through the efforts of
the inspirational campaign of the
Tippah County Association, helpful
messages were brought by Dr. F.

RHEUMATISM

RELIEVE PAIN IN FEW MINUTES

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tism, Neuritis, Neuralgia or Lumbago, in a
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M. Purser, brother Williams, Mrs.
Tyler, and Miss Traylor, to the
churches of Blue Mountain, Ripley,
Chalybeate, and Walnut.

March 3rd, the Rev. T. R. Ham-
mons, chairman of the executive
committee, called a meeting of the
officers of the association together
with the Sunday school superinten-
dents; Mr. W. B. Tennyson and as-
sociates; Mr. J. J. McKinstry, gen-
eral director of the B. T. U., and
associates; and Mrs. Lee Smith and
workers. After a season of prayer
for the work and workers, Mrs. J.
J. McKinstry brought a very fine
message on "Our Jerusalem," and
Dr. Riser on "Who Is Responsible
For Our Association?" Reports were
given by each of the associational
leaders and their plans revealed a
determined effort to have a Sunday
school, B. T. U. and W. M. U. in
each of the churches.

A training course will be taught
by the several helpers who have of-
fered themselves for the work, to
as many as may wish or need to
have such a course.

Surely a new day is dawning in
the spiritual life of the Tippah
County Association.

T. R. Hammons, Chairman
Executive Board

J. H. Brotherton, Clerk

Mary had a little lamb,
But now that it is dead,
It went to school this morn with her,
Between two slabs of bread.
—War Cry.

Teacher: "Now we find that X is
equal to zero."

Student: "Whee! All that work
for nothing."—Ex.

Sandy (noting price-tag on antlers
in a store-window): "Hoot mon!
Them's awfa' dear."

Bystander: "Wocha think they
was off-a—a giraffe?"—Ex.

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L. B. CAMPBELL

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Lesson for Sunday, March 20, 1938 WHAT GOD THINKS OF THE HUMAN BODY

Bible Texts: Mark 6:63-66; Judges 13:12-14; I Corinthians 3:16, 17; Romans 12:1-2.

Introduction. Of all the creation of God, the human body is the very finest. Man was made to have dominion over the world which God had created. When, therefore, man came from the Creator's hand, his was a body fair to look upon, and that not only, but an instrument fit to express the finer emotions of the soul, fit to adapt itself to the finer things of God's creation, fit to appreciate and enjoy God's ample provision for man, a body with every part perfect unto the purpose of its creator and functioning smoothly according to the intention and purpose of Him who made it. That body, in all its parts, was free from the blemishes and weaknesses which sin brought into it. The brain was clean and healthy, the organs all functioned smoothly, the nervous system was properly attuned to the needs of the best in man's possibilities under God. The normal workings of the mind, the functions of it were performed perfectly. Thought, feeling, purpose,—all were performed in perfectly normal and lordly manner. In other words, the original body was God's own ideal of a human body, and it was the habitat of a divinely created and imparted soul, a soul so married to the body that the two of them became one person, so that neither is complete without the other. This is the man, made of matter and spirit, and so made that the two elements are united into one, upon whom God looked and saw that this piece of His handiwork was also good.

But sin entered into the heart of man. In his disobedience of God, a terrible estrangement took place between God and man. Man's fall was the becoming unlike God in the points wherein man was made in the image of his Creator. His whole heart was corrupted, and he hence became unlike to God. Now, God is highest of all persons in the universe, hence, he who goes away from God, can go nowhere else than down. The ruin of the race was accomplished when Satan seduced man away from his communion with God, turned man away from his obedience to God, led man down from the lofty plane upon which he lived with God, tempted him into an act of disobedience which corrupted him in thought and feeling and will. The sin of Adam made all men sinners, for his offsprings were all begotten by a fallen father, were born of a mother whose thoughts were no longer the thoughts of God, whose affections were no longer the holy affections of God, whose purposes

were no longer drawn from God. This result upon all of Adam's children was and is but the fulfilling of a primary biological law that like begets like. In other words, the sin of Adam wrought the moral and spiritual ruin of the race, which ruin affected the entire being of man, body, soul, and spirit. After the fall of man, it stood and stands forever true that "That which is born of the flesh is flesh" (John 3:6).

It took the wisdom of God to plan a remedy for this utter ruin of man, and it took the power of God to provide it. But since God has wrought to affect the redemption of man, there is a redemption which redeems the whole man, as the whole man had fallen. So our Lord labored to redeem body, soul, and spirit of man. So the body of man, polluted, weakened, diseased, subject to all the evil influences which war against it, has been the subject of God's redemptive thought, and is the object of God's redemptive purpose, just in so far as it is His purpose to redeem man, all of man, the whole man. Our bodies are useful to our Lord. He needs them, because He needs us, and our bodies are parts of us. To speak of my body as "the house I live in," while it has an element of truth in it, is in the whole of it a lie, just because it is not all the truth. Since, then, our bodies are useful to our Lord, and since He has redeemed us, bodies and all, that we might honor Him by serving Him, it is our deep down Christian duty as well as our lofty Christian privilege to take care of our bodies. From this viewpoint, I propose to treat this lesson, founding upon the passage from Romans, and using the other passages only incidentally.

I. Paul's Exhortation to Dedication.

1. The Method of the Exhortation.

"I beseech you." Literally, "I stand beside you and beg you."

Here is Paul pleading with his readers. The old apostle is tremendously in earnest in his desire for

his brethren. He so eagerly wants them to do what he is desiring that he becomes a beggar to them.

2. The Ground of His Exhortation.

"The mercies of God." V. 1.

"The mercies of God" here means the help of God extended to us while we were helpless, dead in our trespasses and sins. We were the children of wrath, slaves of the devil, with no power to break our shackles, with no power to change our nature. Then God, because of the great love wherewith He loved us came to our help. And Paul is thinking of this gracious action upon the part of God when he speaks here of "the mercies of God."

Again, "the mercies of God," means the help of God extended to us when we were unworthy of such help. We were helpless not only, but we were evil in our natures, bent toward the wrong, full of hate of all that is godly and good. Now, that is the way the Bible describes the natural man. Read the first 22 verses of third Romans and you will find this charge against the race very strikingly set forth.

If you want confirmation outside the Bible of what Paul here says, you may find it in any country in the world where there has not shined the light of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

II. The Method of the Dedication.

1. "Present your bodies." V. 1.

We lay the emphasis here on the word "present." It means to make a present. It means to take something which belongs to you and gratuitously turn it over to another, reserving in it no right, reserving to it no claim, reserving over it no slightest measure of control. When you present anything to anyone, it is no longer in any measure yours. It becomes subject entirely to the will of the other. The idea as to the control of the body and of the powers which it invests which Paul has in mind here is set forth strikingly in Frances R. Havergal's

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hymn, "Take My Life and Let It Be."

2. "Your Bodies."

We are laying emphasis here on what it is that the apostle is exhorting his hearers to dedicate. The world in which Paul and his Roman readers lived knew a great deal about offering sacrifices. But the sacrifices were slain in the act of offering. Now, what Paul is here asking is that bodies be dedicated to God. Very well, the law of sacrifice in every land and under every system demanded that the body offered in sacrifice be without blemish. No worshipper anywhere would have dreamed, would now in a heathen land dream, of offering a blemished or lame or an ill body in sacrifice. Here, then, is the temperance application. All authorities, honest and unprejudiced, agree that any form of intemperance renders the body unfit for its best service. Of course there are just as many forms in which intemperance may manifest itself as there are activities in which one may engage his body, or appetites or appetencies he may indulge to excess. Gluttons dig their graves with their teeth, men may injure themselves at physical exercise so that they will never be well again, but the form in which intemperance manifests itself most frequently and to the greatest hurt of him who indulges it, is in the matter of strong drink. The man who drinks to excess debauches his body, and the body of the Christian no longer belongs to the Christian. It is a part of the Christian to whom Paul says

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Six new Sunday schools were organized during February. This is one of our four special objectives this year. The four are: a Sunday school in every church; a training class in every school; a Cradle Roll department in every school; and a BIG increase in vacation Bible schools.

Remember, the Sunday School Board gives the literature free for the first quarter. When you organize a school, make out the order for literature, send it to the Order Department, District Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, telling them that it is a new school, and it will be sent and no charges at all.

Last Convention announcement! Next week our State Sunday School Convention will meet in West Point, beginning Tuesday night, March 22, and closing Thursday noon, March 24. A great treat is in store for all who come. Have your school represented. Bed and breakfast free.

Standard Junior Department At Utica

This is the FIRST standard Junior department in our state for 1938. Here is a fine article from their most efficient superintendent, Mrs. Owen Williams. Reaching the standard was a happy experience for us. to Mrs. J. D. Carmichael goes most of the credit for she has been superintendent for several years. She has worked faithfully, lovingly, and patiently with everyone connected with the church and Sunday school. Recently she gave up the work and I again became the superintendent. In checking over the standard we found all we lacked was teacher-training, election of one officer, and the quarter's grade. We had one hundred officers and teachers taking "Guiding Junior Boys and Girls." When the quarter was finished our grade was twenty-five per cent above the requirement. I believe reaching the standard will keep any department striving harder than ever, for none of us will want to loose that standard. It is such a fine program of work. Our classes are: "Bible Learners"—Mrs. Alma Weeks, teacher; Billy Huddleston, Harold Simmons, Roma Hubbard, Mildred Smith, Marjorie Stubbs, Mary Francis Matthews, Yancey Fulgham and Rachel Williams. "Doers of the Word"—Mrs. T. L. Smith, teacher; Joyce Herring, Irene Rainbolt, Mary Francis Stubbs. "Mary's"—Mrs. J. J. Turner, teacher; Linelle Broome, Myrtle Simmons, Sibyl Stubbs, Ruby Nell Stubbs, Ruth Breeden, Herbert McElvoy; "Six Pointers"—Mrs. E. C. Garrison, teacher; Celeste Foster, Imogene Smith, Jean Herring, Bill Longmire, Earl Cook Broome, Frank Berry, Henry Stubbs. Secretary, Mrs. Shelby Ross; Associate Superintendent and sub teacher, Miss Elsie Stubbs.

Who will be next to reach the Standard?

Those desiring entertainment in homes, please write Mrs. D. N. Garner, chairman of the Placement Committee.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

Whereas, House Bill No. 50, providing that possession of a Federal Liquor Stamp would be prima facie evidence of violation of the state liquor laws, was introduced in the House, January 10th, and referred to the Judiciary Committee, and,

Whereas, House Bill No. 3, to repeal Chapter 171 of the Laws of 1934, was introduced, January 4th, by representatives Wallis, Cockrell, and McCoy, and referred to the Liquor Traffic Committee, and,

Whereas, no report has been made on House Bill No. 50 by the Judiciary Committee, and the Liquor Traffic Committee has not reported on House Bill No. 3; therefore, we the undersigned, a committee appointed by the Baptist Convention in Philadelphia, in annual session, November, 1937, to act for and represent the 250,000 Baptists of the State, respectfully,

Petition you to ask that report be made on House Bill No. 50; and we further petition you as a body of the people's representatives to ask that the Liquor Traffic Committee report on House Bill No. 3, and if report cannot be had that the committee be discharged and a committee appointed which will report.

We call to your attention the fact that Methodists and other denominations have declared repeatedly in favor of stronger liquor laws and more rigid enforcement of law.

We call your attention also to a resolution adopted by the Baptist State Convention as follows:

"That whereas the will of the people is challenged in our elections, as never before known in this state. Grave issues among us are often decided by our electors, in some cases by only a few votes, and the people are satisfied and accept the result in good faith:

But we have the arrogant, insolent, and shameful situation of the liquor trust defying the will of the people, even where a majority of five to one has spoken against the sale of alcoholic liquor in the form of beer and wine, in our county elections.

Upon the flimsiest technicalities, this hydra-headed monster, has appealed to our courts, and by giving bond, has been allowed to continue to distribute this alcoholic poison, even at the very doors of our schools and educational institutions.

We believe that when our people cannot speak through the ballot box on a simple matter like this, and are forced at large expense, to continue to hold more elections, they will come to feel that Democratic government has failed, and there will be a consequent lowering of respect and loyalty to the courts of the country.

That whereas this liquor trust so influenced our legislators, and put off upon our people without their consent, beer as a temperance drink, and that in the face of the well-known fact, that it constitutes 92% of the liquor traffic, and 71% of all alcohol is consumed in beer and,

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That whereas the drinking of beer and wine is the greatest source of drunkenness in the country—that it is the beginning point—It is the training school for hard liquor, and the bootlegger's hope. It is the kindergarten of the open saloon;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Mississippi Baptist State Convention go on record as asking the legislature to prohibit the sale of beer and wine in the State." Presented by Dr. J. D. Ray, Starkville, and adopted by the Mississippi Baptist State Convention at its 101st session at Philadelphia, Miss., November 17, 1937.

We, the committee appointed by the Baptist Convention, in the name of Mississippi Baptists, protest the action of the Liquor Traffic Committee as high-handed and undemocratic, and intended to thwart the will of the people.

Signed:

P. I. Lipsey,
Chairman of Com.
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POEMS

By Ella Broadus Robertson

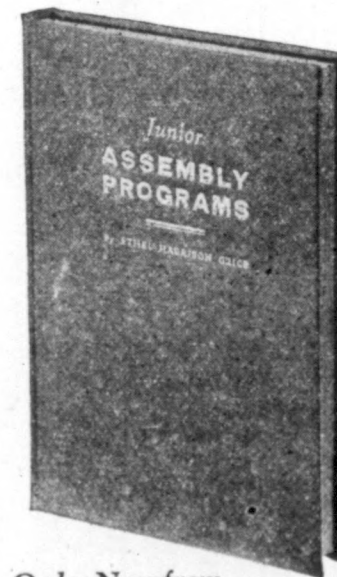
Half A Century. By Ella Broadus Robertson. Broadman Press—\$1.00. We have pardonable pride in this beautiful volume for several reasons. Sentiment alone would give us pleasure in being able to publish a book written by the widow of Dr. A. T. Robertson and daughter of Dr. John A. Broadus, and dedicated to her sister, the wife of Dr. S. C. Mitchell. These are names to conjure with among Southern Baptists. Then, we are happy in the range of subjects covered by these poems: topics seem to be chosen almost at random, and appeal to the casual reader as well as to the stu-

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PETTUS, TEXAS

The church at Pettus, Texas, has recently enjoyed a very fine meeting. The preaching was done by brother L. S. Cole of Refugio, Texas. The music was directed by brother W. C. Binford of Beeville, Texas. This meeting was characterized by the reaching of a number of men. Brother Cole has a unique talent of winning men. There were twenty-two additions to the church. Sixteen were converted. As some people put it: "The preaching was old fashioned and Spirit-led."

The pastor's salary was increased \$25.00 per month and a building program was launched to take care of the increased attendance at Sunday school and Baptist Training Union.

The pastor feels that brother Cole is the best pastor-evangelist in his knowledge. The church was revived and a new outlook has come to our people.

—J. Ray McVoy, Pastor.

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The Children's Circle

MRS. FRANCES LIPSEY STEELE

[Send all communications to Mrs. Frances Lipsey Steele, Magee, Miss.]

My dear children:

Yesterday on a trip through the country I believe I saw more dogwoods in bloom than I have ever seen. As a friend said, "The woods are full of them." And don't they make a lovely sight? There are so many beautiful things all around us if we have the eyes to see them.

In a visit to the Baptist Hospital I saw something that all of you would be interested in. I am sure you would be interested in. I don't think I ever saw anyone who wasn't interested in a baby. But I didn't see a baby; I saw ten babies, wee, tiny ones, each one in a little bed with its name attached to iron bar at the foot. Some of them were sound asleep and some were awake and squirming but not a single one was crying. The hallway outside the nursery was the most popular place in the hospital because everybody wanted to have a peep through the wide glass window at the babies.

And speaking of babies—reminds me of a story I heard a few days ago. A friend of ours has a big poultry yard where he raises chickens and turkeys and ducks and geese. There was a duck who wanted to set and because he had no duck eggs for her, he put some goose eggs under her. In due time the eggs hatched and Mrs. Duck quacked at her new family and led them out of the nest. She didn't enjoy being the mamma of these little goslings long though because an old gander in the yard stretched his long neck and saw the little baby geese following Mrs. Duck. He gave a loud cry that sounded something like "Where's Isaac?" and ran toward them. Something in the goslings responded to that old gander's yell and they waddled to meet him. Then and there he adopted him a family of babies. He assumed the responsibility of them and paraded all over the lot with them and wouldn't let any of the other fowls come near. The last I heard he had him a separate yard where he could raise the goslings undisturbed.

Our letters this week include one from Wahwee and Jacqueline Warren. They are among our youngest members. We hope they are as glad to be members of the Children's Circle as we are to have them. I believe we would call them honor members because they also send an offering.

Annie Harmon is another very welcome new comer. She must be in the Primary department at Sunday school, because she says she is eight years old. We hope she will tell us some more about herself when she writes again.

Miss Leta Mae Lupo has some more egg money that she wants to go to the Mrs. Julia T. Lipsey memorial. She quotes two verses from Proverbs to us that will be helpful if we will heed them.

With love,
Mrs. Frances Lipsey Steele

BIBLE STUDY

Proverbs 10:26. As vinegar to the teeth and smoke to the eyes, so is the sluggard to them that send him.

Joan and Nancy rushed home breathless and excited, both trying

to explain at the same time.

"Oh, mother!" they exclaimed, "Barbara is moving tomorrow. Her daddy just got word from the superintendent of his company that he must be in Savannah day after tomorrow. If they don't leave early in the morning they can't get there."

Nancy paused for breath but Joan continued, "And we want to give Barbara a goodbye party this afternoon. We've been planning it."

"And, mother everybody said because you make the best cakes of any of the mothers that they hoped you'd make the cake for the party," added Nancy.

"You see," explained Joan, "we'll take the refreshments ourselves because it is to be a surprise to Barbara."

"And we are going to take presents to Barbara too, p. g.'s—parting gifts, you know."

"Mother, won't you make a cake for us to take? Won't you?" Joan's brown eyes pleaded as she hopped on one foot and then on the other.

"You will, won't you, mother?" claimed in Nancy, her round face glowing with entreaty.

Mrs. Wilcox looked from one to the other and then gave up. There was very little time to make a cake but she believed if she began immediately that she could do it.

"Certainly I will, my dears. Come let's go to the kitchen and lose no time," answered mother, gathering up her sewing and putting it quickly away.

Mrs. Wilcox began to collect her materials, butter, sugar, eggs—but when she looked in the egg basket there was only one egg.

"Children," she said "you'll have to go to the grocery immediately and get some eggs. You must hurry."

As she counted out the money to them she cautioned, "You must not waste any time on the way there or on the way back. Don't stop anywhere for anything except at the grocery." She emphasized each word. "I'll be creaming the butter and sugar while you are gone." Then she added, "Don't loiter on the way."

Promising to return immediately, they ran out the front door.

Mrs. Wilcox lighted the oven, creamed the butter and sugar, measured and sifted the flour and baking powder, placed the milk by the mixing bowl, greased the cake pans, and waited. There was not another thing she could do until she had the eggs. She went to the front door and looked down the street but there was no sign of Joan and Nancy. She went back to the kitchen, tested the temperature of the oven and turned it down. She patted the well mixed butter and sugar, sifted the flour again, and sighed. She had thought that this time of all times that the children would go directly to town and back. She knew their tendency to stop on the way and talk with friends or play along. Many times it had required twice as long as necessary to run errands. She had talked to them and had even punished them, but they still had not learned the value of promptness. She had thought surely today they would return without delay because they were so enthusiastic about their own cake and party.

Mrs. Wilcox looked at the clock and sighed again. Unless the little girls returned in five minutes the cake couldn't possibly get done in time even if she didn't ice it. Twenty-five minutes more passed before Joan and Nancy again dashed in the front door all out of breath.

"Oh, mother, Clara's Spitz dog has four of the cutest little puppies you ever saw!" exclaimed Nancy, "They are so soft and white. I picked them everyone up. The mamma dog did-

n't much want me to though."

"We just stopped a minute to see them, mother! Clara told us to come look at them. We ran the rest of the way home," added Joan, but her explanation was stopped short when she saw the expression on her mother's face.

"You need not have run, Joan, because it is too late to bake a cake in time for the party. I thought surely when it was your cake and your party that you would go directly there and back. It took you an hour and twenty minutes when twenty minutes was all you needed. I'm sorry, children, but it is too late." Mother's words and tone were final.

Big tears began to run down both little faces and Nancy sobbed, "What can we do mother? What can we do? They're depending on us. Ours was the only cake for the party. It didn't seem long that we played with the puppies."

"What can we do, mother?" replied Joan. "We didn't think we were staying long." Her grief was equal to Nancy's.

It took a long time for the girls to get over their disappointment at having to take bought cookies to the party and their humiliation at having to explain why there was no delicious mother-made cake, but ever after if they were tempted to loiter or waste time, one had only to say, "Remember Barbara's party!" Those were magic words that never failed to bring a quick response.

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Clinton, Miss.,
March 4, 1938.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

We are sending twenty cents for the memorial for Mrs. Lipsey: ten cents from each—Wahwee, five years old, and Jacqueline, three years old.

Every time we walk on Mrs. Lipsey's little walk, we think about her. We saw Dr. Lipsey working in his yard yesterday and waved to him for he is nice.

We go to Sunday school every Sunday and learn about Jesus and learn songs to sing for everyone.

We hope you are happy and go to Sunday school too.

Wahwee and Jacqueline
Warren

I have heard of you two little girls, and now I'm so pleased to hear from you. You are certainly beginning right by going to Sunday school and learning the Bible stories and songs. Thank you for your offering and your good wishes, and I hope you will always be happy.—F. L. S.

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Union, Miss.,
Box 264,
March 5, 1938.

Dear Mrs. Steele:

I read the Baptist Record. Your letters are very good. I am eight years old. Mrs. Davis is our superintendent. She is the preacher's wife. Miss Land is our teacher. She is the first grade teacher in school too.

Now I will close.

With love,

Annie Margaret Harmon.
We are so glad to have you, Annie Margaret, as a member of our circle. We have some friends who think Union is a great place to live. No doubt you think so too.—F. L. S.

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Hazlehurst, Miss., R. 1.

My dear Mrs. Steele:

Here I come with my little egg money for the Mrs. Julia T. Lipsey memorial. It is not much but it is the price of every tenth dozen I get. They are very cheap. I surely did enjoy Mr. John Lipsey's article in this week's Record and Fannie Mae's too.

I am sending you the first verse of the seventeenth chapter of Proverbs and the first first of the twentieth chapter. "Better is a dry morsel and quietness therewith than an house full of sacrifice and strife," and "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise."

Father is not doing so well but

thanks to the Lord he is still with us.

With love,

Leta Mae Lupo

Miss Leta Mae, you think that your egg money is small, but we can't always measure gifts by the dollars and cents. Turn to Luke 16: 10 and read: "He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much." God looks on our measure of faithfulness. Thank you for your continued help.—F. L. S.

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INVERNESS

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Just this word of congratulation, appreciation and encouragement—and advertisement. Joy and sorrow met me on the first page of the good old Record of March 3. I was so glad to see that the Record had reached the unbelievable figure of 14,302 in circulation. Congratulations my brother. "Somebody said it couldn't be done." But you did it.

On the same page of the Record I saw the likeness of the late Dr. Mayfield. He was a prince among men, both pious and powerful. It gives the heart strings a pull to think how much we have lost in the last year.

Then I read the travelogue of the editor. It was a classic. May the Lord spare him many years for his line of service. His like may not be easily found in these parts. He has conviction, courage and common sense.

My people are enjoying the Record more and more. More and more of them are reading it, for it is getting better and better. Had a great increase in the attendance last Sunday (February 27). A big part of the credit belongs to the men's Bible class. Under the able leadership of the teacher, Mr. N. S. Toler, the class is growing out and growing in. It is increasing in size, and each Sunday the class sends out a bus to gather up the folks who have no conveyance. We look for greater increase next Sunday, March 6.

We are beginning a series of sermons March 6, on the "Last Week of Our Lord on Earth," with the Triumphal Entry first and the Resurrection on Easter Sunday. We have two objectives to reach by the day we call Easter (there is no Easter). The first is to get a worthy offering for Home and Foreign Missions; the second is to have fifty per cent increase in Sunday school by that time. Somebody said "it couldn't be done."

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"The B. A. U. has been a gracious blessing to many individuals in our church. They have grasped anew and in definite form many of the great fundamental doctrines of the Bible that were perhaps not clear in their minds before. Many have learned how to think as they stand and express themselves forcefully and clearly. It has meant spiritual growth and a culture that has helped and inspired to new and joyous tasks. It has brought a new spirit of reverence and a more worshipful attitude to the evening period of worship. I am for the B. A. U. with all my heart. A real live B. A. U. will promote in a wonderful way the religious cultural development of our people."

Ackerman Adds B. A. U. and Story Hour

Happy are we when we can announce a new B. Y. P. U., B. A. U., or Story Hour. Here we have the pleasure of announcing a new B. A. U. and a Story Hour for the Training Union at Ackerman. This splendid church has gone to full time recently and the Training Union has been increasing its influence and a real enlargement program has been under way. The B. A. U. recently organized has for its president Mr. W. M. Adams, superintendent of education for Choctaw County. The Story Hour has Mrs. J. B. Smith, wife of the pastor, as their leader. Congratulations Ackerman.

Mr. Henry Gatewood succeeds Mr. Bill J. Martin as Associational Training Union director of Jasper County. Mr. Gatewood has had previous experience and so enters the work well equipped for the task. Mr. Martin has served well in this office and the work has progressed under his leadership.

A Training Union Organized At Oloh

There has been the challenge of service about the Training Union work all along. The many opportunities of service are presented and one of the best is that of helping start the training work in churches that do not have it. Recently Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Harrell of Hattiesburg, members of the Carterville church, had the pleasure

of helping the Oloh church in Lebanon Association to set up their Training Union. The leaders elected were: Director, S. W. Powell; B. A. U. President, Mrs. B. C. Traylor; Senior President, Pierce Lott; Intermediate Leader, Mrs. E. E. Price; Junior Leader, Mrs. Renus Collins. Mrs. Harrell is carrying her union out soon to put on a demonstration program and to hold a methods conference for whatever help this may be to a newly organized union. This is fine Christian work.

Grenada Has Church Banquet

It was the privilege of your state secretary to be guest at the Grenada First Church banquet a few evenings ago. All gathered in the auditorium and waited for the signal when the march began for the ground floor where the program was to be had. Pastor Wiley was happy to see more than two hundred of his people gather for this social event. A splendid plate was served, Mrs. J. K. Avent serving as chairman of the committee and after the meal, Mr. A. L. Goodrich presented to the church the claims of the Baptist Record. After his talk the deacons of the church were instructed to make plans for adding the Baptist Record to the church budget that it might be sent to every member of the church. Your secretary spoke then on Training Union work with special emphasis on the B. A. U. Next week the church will conduct a Training School and at the banquet twenty-two adults signed up to take the B. A. U. Manual. They will organize one or more adult unions and complete the organization of the Training Union. It's a good thing to get together in a social way. It promotes Christian fellowship, and we need a lot of that.

Oxford Intermediates Conduct Prayer Meeting

In the absence of the pastor, Dr. Frank Moody Purser, who was away in a "Forward With Christ Week" program, the Intermediate B. Y. P. U. of the Oxford church was asked to have charge of the prayer meeting. Under the leadership of their leader, Mrs. Auber J. Wilds, they assumed this responsibility and gave a most helpful and inspiring program. This is a fine way to give these young people "intensive" training. Congratulations Oxford.

Two New Training Unions For Scott County

The result of the faithful services of Mrs. Howell Daniel, associational director of Scott County, the work goes forward in a steady program of progress. Since the first of the year two Training Unions have been organized. One at Liberty and the other at Good Hope. We congratulate these two churches. At the last meeting of the Scott County Associational B. T. U. a fine at-

tendance and a splendid program marked this as the best meeting they have had. Quoting from a letter from Mrs. Daniel: "I believe most all the people in Scott County have been reached either through our quarterly meetings or by other means and I have reason to believe that 1938 will show greater accomplishments. My aim now is to begin to organize Training Unions." And this will be blessed of the Lord for he wants his people to have the training the Training Union will give.

MISSION SUNDAY SCHOOL GROWING

In a little pine forest, near the writer's home, a small group, composed chiefly of children, have been meeting for the past two Sundays in a Sunday school class. Some of these children have never sat in a Sunday school before—and in their 'teen age. It is pathetic. At our first meeting there were twenty-four present; reports show an increase, in all points, at the last meeting; and, with God's help, I am praying that a rich goal may be met ere long—not solely for the children, but for their mothers and fathers or any others who may be reached and led to Christ, as well. It is soul-thrilling to see the interest these little ones and young people are showing already; and I see life has a challenge for them, as for more fortunate; and, when given an opportunity, they are eager to respond.

The writer is the humble leader of this little group, and she earnestly requests your prayers: she needs you!

—Camille Shirley

S. S. ATTENDANCE MARCH 13th

Jackson, First Church	1,027
Jackson, Calvary Church	867
Jackson, Grif. Mem. Church	711
Jackson, Davis Mem. Church	224
Jackson, Parkway Church	234
Jackson, Northside Church	106
Laurel, First Church	477
Laurel, West Laurel Church	445
Laurel, 2nd Ave. Church	263
Laurel, South Laurel Church	117
Vicksburg, First Church	483
Columbia, First Church	448
Meridian, 15th Ave. Church	360
Meridian, 41st Ave. Church	245
Crystal Springs Church	344
Hattiesburg, First Church	537
Newton Church	256
Indianola Church	229
Pontotoc Church	226
Utica Church	144
Summerland Church	84
Batesville Church	76
Clarksdale Church	526
Clarksdale Church (3/6)	452

B.T.U. ATTENDANCE MARCH 13

Jackson, First Church	171
Jackson, Calvary Church	255
Jackson, Grif. Mem. Church	292
Jackson, Parkway Church	64
Jackson, Northside Church	49

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Clarksdale Church	141
Clarksdale Church (3/6)	138
Vicksburg, First Church	120
Crystal Springs Church	142
Meridian, 15th Ave. Church	80
Meridian, 41st Ave. Church	49
Hattiesburg, First Church	74
Newton Church	118
Indianola Church	172
Pontotoc Church	70
Utica Church	61

A RECORD WEEK AT M.S.C.W.

Last week was a special week for Baptist students on our campus. Dr. E. J. Caswell, from Greenwood, was the guest of the Workshop for Student Evangelistic Week. In keeping with the week he chose as his theme "Personal Witnessing." Every student and faculty member who heard Dr. Caswell was lifted by his powerful messages.

Saturday was observed as Reunion for the Workshop Family. Several former council members of M. S. C. W. and Mississippi State returned for the evening. The Baptist Workshop committee headed by Dr. R. L. Bedwell, professor of education, M. S. C. W., and many friends of the Workshop in Columbus were greeted by the B. S. U. councils of M. S. C. W. and Mississippi State College. The evening was closed with a family altar consisting of tributes to the "Family": Miss Ruth Caine, Columbus, paid a tribute to the founders of the Workshop, with the following word of appreciation to Dr. J. D. Franks, pastor First Baptist Church, Columbus, and to Dr. R. B. Gunter, secretary of the State Convention Board, Jackson: "We, the Baptist Workshop in family reunion wish to express our deep appreciation to our pastor and to our State Mission Board secretary, who have been sympathetic in every movement where the welfare of the Workshop has been concerned. Their cooperation has been of lasting benefit."

—Reporter

"Change that ham and eggs to pork chops," snapped a restaurant patron.

"The chef's too busy to do any tricks just now," retorted the waitress.—Ex.

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THE FELLOWSHIP OFFERING

The following report was made by the Aged Ministers' Relief Committee to the Baptist Convention meeting in Philadelphia, Miss., last November:

"Your committee on Aged Ministers' Relief has found it exceedingly difficult to get approved applicants on the beneficiary roll of the Southern Baptist Convention, due to a lack of funds. Some have been on the approved list for a whole year before receiving any benefits. On November 1st of this year the last of those approved in December, 1936, received the first checks.

The roll now totals fifty-six, thirty ministers and twenty-six widows. They are receiving from \$3.00 to \$5.00 per month with one exception. There are several worthy applicants that will be approved when the committee meets in December.

The total amount received for this purpose up to October 15th was \$1,690.00, \$1,400.61 coming from the Cooperative Program and \$189.39 from interest on funds held in trust by our Convention. The total for the year will not exceed \$2,000.00. The total appropriation now stands at \$2,566.00. The difference is made up from interest on invested funds given to the Relief and Annuity Board at Dallas, Tex., for this purpose. (We are about to exhaust this supply.)

If your committee provides for those who are worthy, now applying, more funds will have to be provided. Those already receiving aid are in need of more with which to provide a few necessities in their declining years. Therefore, we your committee, recommend that the Mississippi Baptist State Convention now in session approve the plan suggested by the Relief and Annuity Board, namely:

Set aside one Sunday for a Fellowship Offering.

At the celebration of the Lord's Supper give a Fellowship Offering to the support of needy retired ministers and missionaries and dependents.

These offerings are to be sent to Dr. R. B. Gunter, Jackson, Miss.

Respectfully submitted,

W. T. Lowrey

W. S. Landrum

M. A. Davis

C. J. Olander, Chairman."

The committee on review of this report submitted the following:

"Your committee was made to blush with shame at the meager pittance given the needy of our aged ministers and dependents and in view of this sad situation we heartily commend the recommendation of this report to the effect that the Convention urge the churches to take a 'Fellowship Offering' at least once a year in connection with the observance of the Lord's Supper."

The above was adopted by the Convention.

Some of our pastors have already given their churches an opportunity to take this "Fellowship Offering." Their people have responded cheerfully and liberally. We feel that every church in the state is waiting for an opportunity to show its appreciation to our Veterans of the Cross.

RANKIN W. M. U.

Representatives from Rankin County churches and visitors met at Hickory Ridge church for the annual Home Mission Rally. Miss Lula Hemphill was in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Marie Russell led in the discussion in the mission study of "Fruits of the Years." The afternoon devotional was well conducted by three Intermediate girls. Mrs. W. A. Rogers, county secretary-treasurer of the W. M. U., brought brief messages, Mrs. Lillie Mullican was in charge of Registration and a dainty motif in lavender and white was presented each guest.

The following county leaders brought brief messages on the fiftieth anniversary: Mrs. J. H. Sudbeck, Periodical chairman; Mrs. Marie Russell, Mission Study; Mrs. Watts Webb, substituting for Mrs. Emma Laird, Margaret Fund chairman. Mrs. F. M. Britt gave the Cash Golden Jubilee Goals.

The group was favored with a report by Mrs. F. M. Britt on the recent Missionary Day at Clinton when Miss Emma Leachman taught the book "Fruits of the Years," and spoke of our home missionaries.

The church was beautifully decorated with wild flowers and posters. The poster featuring the March week of prayer was beautiful in the Jubilee colors, the work of Mrs. A. W. Talbert. Scrapbooks were passed during the day.

At the piano was Mrs. Bishop of Birmingham, a daughter of this community. Guests from Leland, Jackson and elsewhere and a large congregation from the local community filled the house. Specially helpful were the Sunbeams, Intermediates and young women who had come back home. A bountiful plate lunch was served. The whole program was in charge of Mrs. Watts Webb, county superintendent of the W. M. U. The next meeting will be a young people's rally in May at Oakdale church with Miss Ruth Lawson in charge.

—Mrs. Watts Webb.

—BR—

Missionaries on their way to the foreign fields were special speakers at Baptist Bible Institute during the days of March 3-4. These include Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Harrington, Mrs. Rosalee Mills Appleby and her son David, and Miss Letha Saunders. Miss Saunders is going out as a new missionary; all are going to Brazil. Miss Juanita Byrd who has been in Shanghai, China, was also a special speaker along with the other missionaries but is not returning immediately to her post.

—BR—

Dr. W. W. Hamilton, president of Baptist Bible Institute, is urging all alumni and former students of the Institute to press the Hundred Thousand Club in their churches. He says it is constantly paying the Institute out of debt.

Won't you take an offering the very next time the Lord's Supper is observed in your church? Sure you will. Send it to Dr. R. B. Gunter, Box 530, Jackson, Miss., and designate it "Fellowship Offering."

Sincerely yours,

C. J. Olander.

A WORD OF APPRECIATION

By Mrs. E. J. A. McKinney

It is of brother E. D. Estes, our former Pulaski County missionary, that I want to speak. I believe in giving flowers to the living. For six years brother Estes has served as our missionary and I believe his work will stand as a monument to his memory. He builded well. He was sound in doctrine, evangelistic and had a compassion for the lost and was loyal to the demoniation in every department of our work. His chief desire was to be spirit-led. On he went day and night with his program, whether to teach training classes, singing classes, hold revival meetings or take his hammer and saw and help build church houses—anything to make the work go forward, and he had a way of using men to fill in here and there, thus multiplying himself and at the same time helping young preachers. I was so glad when the brethren in the ministers' conference started a movement to take a silver offering in the churches to give to brother and Mrs. Estes as a token of our appreciation of their faithful services and I pray God's blessings on them in their new field of labor.

OUR EVANGELISTS

Our revival with Olive church, close to the Bird Line school, out from Lumberton, closed last Friday night with some very gratifying results having been obtained. On arriving we found that the church had only two deacons, no organization or meeting of either the Sunday school, B. T. U. or W. M. S. Neither did they have any kind of financial program for carrying on the work, either at home or abroad. Preaching only once a month and it poorly attended. Not one baptism was reported for the year 1937.

We were privileged to preach to the school children in the morning services and to capacity crowds in the evenings. We fully organized and put into operation the Sunday school, the B. T. U., and the W. M. S. Three young, energetic deacons were ordained, a budget put on with close to \$100.00 a year for the Cooperative Program. We had twenty-four professions of faith and four additions by letter. The church seemed to be greatly revived and an unusual interest was manifested concerning a stabilized program through the months ahead.

Brother Perry and I began here in McLain on Monday night, the 7th, for a week's campaign. We covet the prayers of the Christian people as we go about over the

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COLLINS W. M. U.

Members of the W. M. S. honored their pioneer members on Monday at the home of Mrs. W. L. Day. Southern Baptist women, as an organization, are celebrating their fiftieth anniversary this year, and every meeting becomes more or less a Golden Jubilee.

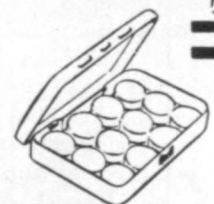
Charter members of the Missionary Society who were honored are: Mrs. J. B. Gill, Mrs. F. E. Eubanks, Mrs. W. L. Williamson and Mrs. T. J. Thames. The daughters of pioneer members, Mrs. Fred Lowrey, Mrs. Earl McRaney, Mrs. C. C. Runyan, Mrs. Harvey Brown and Mrs. Lotie Walton, furnished the program. Mrs. McRaney, Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Runyan were very quaint in their dresses of fifty years ago.

In helping with the golden jubilee idea the predominating color in the tastefully decorated rooms was gold, golden jonquils, golden candles with gold ribbon and baskets of yellow jasmine.

The golden anniversary cake with its fifty golden candles was cut by Mrs. C. A. Davis who claimed the greatest number of years in W. M. U. service. Tea was poured by Mrs. Runyan and coffee by Mrs. McRaney from silver service set.

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Wm. Hall Preston, Asso. Secretary
Dept. of Sou. Baptist Student Work

Dr. T. L. Holcomb, Executive Secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board, envisions the day when literally thousands of Baptist students will give themselves unreservedly during vacation days to the holy task of reaching the furthestmost church with a vital Sunday school and Training Union program. Our best efforts are being joined to make this dream, of our great leader, an accomplished fact.

An opportunity is being afforded college students on every campus to volunteer for this summer program of service. We are happy to have a part in this enlistment of summer workers. The Five Year Promotional Program, with its emphasis upon the district associational organization, has created new interest in Sunday school and Training Union activities every where. Summer service opportunities present themselves on every hand. College students are responding to this challenge.

The initial service for the student is in his own church. The pastor knows the student's capabilities and will see to it that he is happily placed where he may be able to make some definite contribution this summer to his own church. The student may find it possible to organize, lead or sponsor the Story Hour (for pre-Junior B. Y. P. U. age children) or a new Junior or Intermediate union. Spiritual initiative is needed.

Besides participating in Sunday school and Baptist Training Union and missionary activities in the home church, there will be openings to teach Sunday school classes or assist in organizing mission Sunday schools in unreached places.

One of the greatest privileges is to work in a vacation Bible school. Here the soul winning possibilities are limited only by the total enrollment of the school. Beyond one's own church are possible mission week-day Bible schools which may be held in neglected school and church buildings or even under the trees. Negro children are especially needy and will respond in a marvelous way.

Youth revivals present a challenge. What better plan could be devised than to use the vacation Bible school for the basis of this revival work with the morning given over to services for children through the Intermediate years and with preaching at night!

To Students—Graduates—Christian Youth everywhere! The need is the call to invest one's best in this missionary service of incalculable worth.

Nashville, Tennessee.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

(Continued from page 10)

somewhere, "Ye are not your own; ye are bought with a price."

III. The Measure of the Dedication.

"A living sacrifice." V. 1.

The life of the body and all its potencies is to be a sacrificial life, completely dedicated to God. There

is no time to be taken out for giving leash and play to the passions and the appetites. So we are not to give our cadavers, our carcasses, merely, but our whole man, body, mind, soul. Our lives are all to be a continual dedication to God.

Accept this as the duty of the Christian, and there is the strongest possible incentive to the living of the self-contained, self-controlled, or should I not rather say, to the Christ-centered, Christ-controlled life. The Christian must hands-off of whatever will render his body less worthwhile in the service of the Master.

IV. The Means of the Dedication.

1. Negative. "Be not fashioned according to the world." V. 2.

But a lot of people are "fashioned according to the world."

They just allow the world to fashion them. The female of the species seems glad to allow the world to fashion her clothes. If the world says for her to bang her hair, she bangs it, and if the world says bob, she bobs. If the world tells her to brown her cheeks, she browns 'em, and if the word says rouge 'em red, she'll rouge 'em. I recall when the world told her to cut her skirt by the pattern of one leg of a pair of pants, and she did it, and took steps as much as two inches long. The world tells her to wear shoes with heels on them both little and high, and she puts those shoes on and tiptoes around on them like an unhappy soul from the regions of torture trying to sneak up on something. I want them distinctly to understand that I am not now criticizing. I am recognizing.

But there are a lot of folks who let the world fashion them in every regard, in politics, in morals, in habits, in every wise. And Paul says do not do it. But—

2. Positive. (a) "Be ye transformed."

There is just something in the life of a Christian that is different. And it will be deliberately different. There are some things a Christian just will not do, because he is a Christian, and things which children of the world do. The children of the world will say that the Christian is narrow, because he will not do the worldly things.

(c) "By the renewing of your minds."

You get your whole body right when you get your mind right. "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he."

V. The Issue of Dedication.

"Ye may be proving what is the thing willed by God—the good and acceptable and perfect."

The hotel clerk was growing impatient as the prospect took so long to read the names on the register. "Just sign on that line, please," said the clerk.

The prospect was indignant and retorted: "Young man, I'm too old a hand to sign anything without readin' it."

ON M. S. C. W. CAMPUS

Because the need for religious drama was felt on M. S. C. W. campus, we invited representatives from the senior colleges to meet at the Baptist Workshop, February 25 and 26, with us to discuss the possibilities of such an organization and movement. Representatives from Mississippi State, Mississippi Woman's College and Blue Mountain met with us.

On Friday evening, February 25, the representatives attended the M. S. C. W. Theatre Guild play, Ibsen's A Doll's House. The history of religious drama—its beginning, decline, rebirth and twentieth century crisis, were ably discussed by Miss Rhobia Taylor, student secretary. Showing that drama was born and cradled in the church, Miss Taylor pointed out the present day need for some definite direction in religious drama. In the last ten years the religious-drama movement has made such headway that today the important church which is not using it in its ministry as a means of worship is the exception rather than the rule. Since the B. S. U. seeks to train the student to meet the needs of the church there is a need for some study and training along this line.

In the afternoon session, plans were discussed for campus organizations. The group decided to present the plans to the State B. S. U. at the Spring Retreat.

The Blue Mountain representative, who was Miss Eleanor Walters, could only be with us for the play on Friday evening. State College representatives were: Mrs. Rudolph Hough, Preston McDonald and Roy Williams. Mississippi Woman's College was represented by Miss Mary Alice Webb. M. S. C. W. was represented by Misses Lorraine Carroll, Lou Shelton Ewing, Velma Fern Carter, Bonnie McDonald, Mamie K. Starnes, Jane Strickland, Hazel Martin, Dorothy Dean, Lois Bush, Marion Briggs and Rhobia Taylor.

The temporary officers of the group are: Lorraine Carroll, M. S. C. W., chairman, and Roy Williams, State College, secretary.

—Mamie K. Starnes,
Reporter.

Dr. S. H. Jones, professor of Religion in Judson College, Marion, Alabama, and alumnus of Baptist Bible Institute, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at Baptist Bible Institute this spring, according to Dr. W. W. Hamilton, president. Dr. Jones, who is now pastor of the Siloam Springs Baptist Church of Marion, is a graduate of Mars Hill College, Furman University, Baptist

Bible Institute, and Yale University. He has done pastoral work in South Carolina, Mississippi, and Alabama. He is a member of the Executive Board of Alabama, president of the Southern Baptist Association of Teachers of Bible and Religious Education, author of "The Religion of Ethics and Eschatology in the Teachings of Paul," and active in civic work in Marion.

The greatest achievement in journalism by the students of the Baptist Bible Institute will be accomplished in the April issue of the MAGNET, student publication, which will commemorate the twentieth anniversary of the school. This issue will include thirty-two pages of historical, alumni, and campus news together with feature articles, campus scenes, and faculty pictures. Three thousand copies of this edition will be distributed at the Southern Baptist Convention in Richmond and 2,000 more copies will be circulated in the Southland. The students are soliciting aid in subscriptions and congratulatory advertisements.

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Text: "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me." John 12:32.

Jesus Christ was lifted up from the earth in a miraculous resurrection and a glorious ascension; and through the centuries since that time he has been drawing men of every race and rank unto Him. He has the same supernatural drawing power over men today he had on the day of his resurrection. "All authority" was given unto him "both in heaven and on earth," and despite the spiritual and moral recessions that have come in this world in all these years he has not lost any of his power. Through the millenniums like the sun he shines on forever the same. He is "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today, and forever." Heb. 13:8. His words hold true in every age. If he be lifted up today he will draw all men unto Him.

If he be lifted up in the church the pews will be filled and souls will be saved. If he be highly exalted by the denomination there will be a spiritual awakening and multiplied thousands will be born into the kingdom of God. The individual who exalts Christ in his conversation and daily living will be a perennial soul winner, and will reap great and lasting reward. If we follow Him he will make us fishers of men. Matt. 4:19.

The churches that fail to get the crowds are failing to exalt Christ, either in the church services, or in the daily walk of the members; and the churches that attract the throngs to the meeting house, but fail to connect men up with God, are exalting themselves. They are exalting the church, the preacher, the choir, the Sunday school or the young people's organization, and not exalting Christ. These churches that fail to lead men to God place the emphasis on organization, human personality and leadership, natural educational processes, the technique of the music, the church building, or finance, instead of emphasizing the necessity of everyone coming to know the Lord Jesus Christ. The pastor, the choir director, the teachers, organization, the budget and the building are very much in evidence while Christ is all but concealed. Christ is the background and social activity, man-made methods and programs, entertainment and money occupy the front seat. The godly members of such churches might follow with profit the example of two perturbed lady members of a worldly church who one Sunday morning, before their pastor entered the pulpit, wrote in large letters across the bookboard: "SIR, WE WOULD SEE JESUS." It is said that these words burned themselves into the heart of the preacher and transformed his sermons into living messages of eternal truth that revolutionized the church.

At some churches one is made to wonder sometimes whether the building, the money raised, the complicated organization, and the leadership are means in the hands of God of lifting Christ up before the world, or whether these organizations have adopted certain scriptures and taken on themselves the

name of Christ as means of exalting themselves. Some churches are so full of self-praise, and so faint in praise of Him that they leave us in doubt as to the object of all their services. What such churches need to do is, not to forget about money, discontinue the pastor, disband the choir, abandon all organizations and sell the building, but, to dedicate and consecrate and use these temporary instruments in the exaltation of Christ.

The preacher should have but one thing in view in all of his preaching, teaching, directing, calling and living—the magnifying of Christ. The choir should sing for the sole purpose of glorifying His name. The Sunday school and Training Union should have but one object in mind in all their work, and that to reveal Christ in his majesty and power. The church with all of its functions should have but one aim, and that to make Christ known to men.

The church need not engage in moral and social reform beyond the circle of its own members. If Christ be exalted he will draw and save and reform men. The one task of exalting Christ is sufficient to keep the church busy for all time. If we have the proper faith in Christ we believe he, when fully revealed, will effect the necessary changes in men and society. The church needs only to preach Christ and him crucified (I Cor. 2:2), and he will regenerate men and revolutionize society. The slogan of the church and denomination should always be: "We preach not ourselves, but Christ the Lord" (II Cor. 4:5). A church, or a denomination, cannot persistently carry on a propaganda campaign of self-praise and consistently and effectively preach Christ at the same time. To properly exalt Christ the church must deny himself, take up her cross and follow Him. The Christ is more clearly seen when the church is behind the cross.

To exalt Christ as he should be exalted, the church must be possessed by Christ; the congregation must be so gripped by the consciousness of the presence and power of Christ that lost men coming into the services will be convicted of their sins; and the gospel must be preached with such simplicity and power as to make it difficult for sinners attending the services to go away unsaved.

To accomplish this the church and pastor, instead of being unduly money-conscious, preacher-conscious, building-conscious, program and denomination-conscious, will become dominantly Christ-conscious. For this to be, the lukewarm "Laodicean" Church (Rev. 3:14-20) must hear his voice, open the door, and let him in. The church must surrender to the living Christ, and each individual member be possessed and controlled by Him.

Halls, Tenn.

"Aren't you happy, now that the furniture people are willing to let you pay for the furniture in installments?"

"I should be if they'd let me pay the installments by installments."—Ex.

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GREENVILLE CHURCH, Lamar County

In the revival just closed with the Greenville Church, Lamar County, all kinds of weather was found but despite the cold and rain we feel that our meeting was a great blessing to our church.

Rev. D. Wade Smith and brother M. E. Perry came to us on Saturday afternoon and worked with us through Friday, the 25th. We had twelve additions on profession of faith and six by letter. Had we been blessed with fair, warm weather we all feel that the physical results would have been much greater. They took a religious census and found seventeen unenlisted Baptists and eighty-four lost. It is our prayer and aim to go after these until they are won. These brethren completely reorganized our Sunday school and gave us a full graded school. We more than doubled our attendance last Sunday. A Baptist Training Union was organized with competent officers in charge. We are to have our first meeting next Sunday afternoon, immediately after Sunday school. A conference was held with our women and the W. M. U. was set up and inspired to do great things for our church and our Lord. A financial program was set up and subscribed, with \$10.00 a month for the Cooperative Program included. All in all we are on a better foundation for work than we have been in years. Our prayer is for these workers and we request others of the state to remember them in their daily devotions.

—Dan Henley.

VICKSBURG

This is Saturday morning, and the voice of the radio announcer came through our radio with the words, "Our morning devotion will be conducted today by the Reverend J. M. Cook, pastor of the Bowmar Avenue Baptist Church." I knew that this was the announcement which is heard every Saturday at the same hour, and I was reminded that brother Cook begins his second year's work in Vicksburg tomorrow.

As a fellow pastor, and as his colleague in this city, I asked to be allowed to write a brief article to the Baptist Record on the occasion of his anniversary. It was a great personal loss to me when brother Boyd moved to Meridian, but it was, at the same time, an opportunity for me to learn to know and appreciate brother Cook.

Brother Cook, A. B. graduate from Howard College in Birmingham, and Ph.D. graduate of Webster College in Atlanta, Georgia, came to Vicksburg a year ago, and was shortly followed here by his capable and devoted wife, and the two unmarried children, Miriam and Howard.

Within this year he and his family have made many friends in the city and have accomplished remarkable things within the church which

he pastors. In a material way he has re-roofed and repaired the church building, and has so remodeled the Sunday school quarters as to make possible the standardization of his organization.

There has been a constant and wholesome growth in the organizations of the church, and a spirit of zeal for the cause of Christ which has brought about the following visible results:

Five training schools.

Two revival meetings.

Twenty-two new families added to the church.

Fifty-four new members received into the church.

Within the year that brother Cook has been my fellow-pastor there has never been anything but the most cordial cooperation in all things, and I look forward to the coming year with genuine pleasure.

Wallace R. Rogers, Pastor
First Baptist Church

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The Sunday School Board has issued a book in its study course series, "The Church Library Manual," by Leona Lavender Althoff, which if properly employed will render a great service in our churches. By all means our people need to read more. Particularly do they need to build up their religious life by reading of the right kind. Neglect here will keep us weak and inefficient. The church library can serve a great purpose and fulfill a high mission. Two things are needed to enable it to do this; it must have helpful books; and there must be somebody to push the business in the church. That means a good librarian, somebody who is interested and can interest others in reading; somebody who recognizes this office as one of great possible good, and is willing to give time and thought to it. This book, "The Church Library Manual," will greatly help in that work. It has nine chapters which tell you Why, How, about Equipment, the Librarians, Books, Classification, Card Catalog, Topics, and Getting the Library Used. The book sells for 60c in cloth binding or 40c in paper, at the Baptist Book Store.

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Officer: "For how long do you wish to join the army?"

Recruit: "For duration, sir."

Officer: "But, Buddy, there's no war."

Recruit: "Oh sor, I meant duration of peace."

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